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Boycott Hurts Jews In South: Klutznick

By HYMAN CHESTER

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (NJP)—Southern Jews are already feeling the pinch of economic pressures arising out of the desegregation issue, and their Northern Brothers are going to have to make up the losses suffered by welfare and other funds, as one result.

THIS WARNING was issued by Philip M. Klutznick, international president of B'nai B'rith, in speaking to 450 persons at the annual meeting of the Milwaukee Jewish Welfare Fund—despite a statement earlier in the week in Indianapolis by Southern Rabbi Charles Mantinband that Southern Jews are losing their fear of boycotts, reported elsewhere in this issue by POST publisher Gabriel M. Cohen.

The widely known builder and Jewish leader said that he was not trying to be a prophet of doom and that he felt no discouragement, but that he believed that Jews should know the truth—so that they might work all the harder toward their goals.

"Less than a thousand miles from where we are sitting," he said ,"a kind of segregation of the Jewish community is taking place. The position of Jewish leaders in their home communities is under severe challenge," Klutznick said. "I can be very brave in Milwaukee, but it's different in cities like Montgomery, Ala. They are going to need our strength—the strength of brothers."

SOUTHERN RACISTS are not only spewing out their venom against Negroes who seek elementary citizenship rights, but they have turned on Jews, Catholics and other minority groups, he said. The action was attributed in part to the stand of national Jewish organizations for civil rights in general, but school integration arguments turned out to be the trigger for boycotts and severe economic pressures. Klutznick emphasized, however, that he felt that Jewish organizations had made the right decisions, and would continue to do so despite the problems.

SPECIAL REPORT

The POST and OPINION this week is devoting two full pages to take a good look at the Jews in the South. For this absorbing report and various opinions, turn to the "Center Spread."

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BOYCOTT TALK 'RIDICULOUS'

JACKSON, Miss. (NJP)—Charges of economic pressures against Southern Jews for their role in desegregation matters were termed "ridiculous" by a Reform rabbi here who has been a fighter for Negro rights.

Commenting on B'nai B'rith president Phil Klutznick's assertion to a Milwaukee audience, Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum told The POST and OPINION that: "There's no such pressure in Mississippi — the position of the Jew here is as good as it ever was."

Rabbi Nussbaum this week was engaged in a running battle with Southern bigots over the Negro issue. He is broadcasting a Brotherhood Week speech Sunday morning on the ABN "Message of Israel," in which he will say the real issue in the South is prejudice.

Religious Tour of Israel Mapped

Plans for a religious tour of Israel are mapped in the Buffalo office of American Express Company. Seated are Rabbi Martin L. Goldberg, who disclaimed knowledge of American Express' reported yielding to Arab boycott pressures; Ralph T. Reed, president of American Express, and Fr. Howard J. Schwartz. Standing, left to right, are W. T. Huber, American Express travel manager, Fr. Robert D. Duggan, and Rev. Burtis M. Dougherty, editor of the Episcopalian.

A POST and OPINION EXCLUSIVE REPORT:

How Two Major US Firms Yielded to Arab Boycott

By CHARLES ROTH

NEW YORK (NJP) — While the Presidents' Club of national Jewish organizations continues to investigate the withdrawal of companies from trading with Israel because of Arab pressures, people in this country — often Jewish people — remain naively uninformed and often become party to the very pressure against Israel.

The American Express Company, which pulled out of Israel in 1956 claiming to be losing money, is now running a tour to Israel with a rabbi as the tour leader. Investigations going on since the pull-out indicate that the American Express decision was a yield to Arab boycott pressure.

Car Rental Plan Dropped Abruptly

ANOTHER indication is the negotiations between the Hertz ca rrental company and Kopel Tours of Israel. Under the planned agreement, which has proceeded far beyond the planning stages, the two firms were to launch a car rental network in Israel to cater to the overwhelming 10th anniversary tourist season and to continue operations afterwards.

The Israel government had already given permission to import the cars without the usual red tape. Negotiations were suspended without excuse almost simultaneously with a new agreement between Hertz and American Express whereby the two formed the Hertz American Express international to deal with all car rental business outside the United States.

Charles Greenbaum of the Hertz Co. told The POST and OPINION he was unfamiliar with any American Express yielding to Arab pressures, or its withdrawal from Israel. Greenbaum, who is active in Jewish organizational activity, informed The POST and OPINION that the suspension of negotiations with Kopel tours was not caused by the Hertz American Express venture.

IT WAS LEARNED by The POST and OPINION, however, that the Hertz-American Express venture, concluded about two months ago, was at least one of the factors which led to the suspension of negotiations between Kopel Tours and Hertz.

Rabbi Martin Goldberg of Temple Zion of Buffalo, N. Y., who will lead the American Express tour to Israel, was completely unaware of the American Express episode of leaving Israel. The rabbi had lunch, a short time ago, with American Express president Ralph T. Reade. When asked by The POST and OPINION whether he discussed the American Express pull-out from Israel, Rabbi Goldberg informed The POST and OPINION that he didn't discuss that matter at all; that he didn't know that many Jewish and non-Jewish organizations were peeved at American Express for yielding to Arab pressure, and that the entire episode was unfamiliar to him.

Advertise in Jewish Press

"On the contrary," explained the rabbi, "we have the finest relationship with the American Express here. They use the local Anglo-Jewish paper to advertise the tour and maintain a fine cordial relationship with the Jewish community." Reade was very interested in the tour to Israel, Rabbi Goldberg continued, and he expressed a desire to run many more of them in the future.

No Recommendations, Censures Indicated

It has been learned authoritatively that the Presidents' Club may finally release its fact finding report on Arab boycott pressure in a few weeks. It is expected that the report will contain neither condemnations nor recommendations with regard to those American firms yielding to Arab pressure vis-a-vis Israel, but will leave the course to take up individual persons and organizations.

Ironically, and perhaps also due to the lack of public information on the subject, some of the few reactions to the Arab pressure that did take place was erroneously directed at the American Tobacco Company — manufacturers of Lucky Strike and Pall Mall cigarettes in the United States — who are unrelated to the entire matter.

BECAUSE THE trade name of these two brands is owned by the British American Tobacco Company for overseas — including Israel (to whom that company has refused to sell since 1956 because of Arab pressures) and by American Tobacco Co.— in the U. S., many Jewish leaders have poured their indignation onto the American Tobacco Company.

Check Inconclusive

ADDITIONAL investigation of the information that led to an editorial in The National Jewish POST and OPINION (Jan. 17) which wrote that American Tobacco manufactured the Lucky Strike and Pall Mall cigarettes, that British American sold overseas, and the Paul Hahn, who is Jewish, owned a considerable share of British American, found the original information inconclusive.

Actually the Lucky Strike and

Lilienthal Tour Flops After Bid to Screen Out Zionists

DETROIT, Mich. (NJP) — **JEWS WITH** the "proper" attitude toward Zionism would have been permitted on a proposed air tour of the Arab countries after careful screening, The POST and OPINION learned this week.

The 52-day high-priced tour was to be conducted by Alfred Lilienthal, anti-Zionist author and lecturer, but it was abandoned this week because there was "insufficient response."

Lilienthal planned to take the tour—to cost $3,850—to Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Iraq. Israel would have been by-passed, "in view of my relationship with Israel," and the "sensitivity of the Arab nations," Lilienthal said.

NEWS OF the tour leaked out to the Jewish community when a "flyer" from TWA Airlines arrived in the office of a Detroit Jewish travel agent some six weeks ago.

The travel agent, Jules Doneson, wrote to Allied Tours, name given for the sponsoring organization, to learn whether prospective Jewish tourists might be included.

Lilienthal called Doneson personally to say that he would need the names of the tourists to have them investigated as to their attitude on Zionism.

Lilienthal hinted that the Arabs would accept Jewish tourists, but only if Lilienthal endorsed them, and if they were acknowledged non-Zionists.

"I HAVE friends in the State Department who will do it for me," Lilienthal told Doneson.

Doneson said that he wouldn't want any of his clients embarrassed by an investigation, and Lilienthal assured him that he would be most discreet.

"I have contacts in your area," Lilienthal said, and added he would have prospects checked in such a manner that they would not be embarrassed.

But last week Allied Tours sadly announced it didn't have enough takers. There will be no tour — and, of course, no "screening" of Zionists.

Negroes Shouldn't Be Anti-Semitic, Israel Paper Says

TEL AVIV (NJP) — Anti-Semitism on the part of Negroes in the United States and South Africa doesn't match up with Jewish support of the Negro's rights in those countries, Israel's daily "Haboker" declared this week.

According to the paper, the exclusively Negro state of Liberia, although it recognized Israel, is almost continually opposing Israel in the United Nations.

"Before granting them our support, let them persuade us that they at least will not fight us when they become independent," the editorial writer added.

US YIDDISH WORK FOR RUSS URGED

NEW YORK (NJP)—The new U. S.-Russian cultural exchange agreement's circulation of the writings of American - Jewish authors, published in Yiddish, was deplored this week by Jacob Pat, executive secretary of the Jewish Labor committee.

These writings should be circulated in the Soviet Union, said Pat.

"It was the elementary duty of the Soiet ambassador when he met with Vice-President Nixon on the question of cultural exchange to have given the answers to the questions and appeals on the extirpation of Jewish culture in the Soviet Union," he added.

2 US Firms Yield to Arabs

Continued From Preceding Page

Pall Mall cigarettes sold in the United States made by American Tobacco, while the same brands sold overseas are made by Brown and Williamson, a wholly owned subsidiary of the British American Tobacco Co.

Addison Yeamon, general counsel for Brown and Williamson and British American in this country, told The POST and OPINION that his company is a tooth and nail competitor with American Tobacco and there is no tie-in whatsoever between the two firms. Brown and Williamson also makes the following brands for United States consumption: Viceroy, Raleigh, Kool, Wings, and Sir Walter Raleigh pipe tobacco.

American Tobacco president Paul Hahn, who came to work for that company from their law firm in 1933, has never owned any stock in British American at all. Hahn, who was born in New York City in 1895, graduated from CCNY and Columbia Law School. He is a member of Congregation Rodeph Sholem, a contributor to the UJA, Jewish Federation and the Combined Jewish Appeal.

INFORMATION as to who does own the British American Tobacco Company is virtually impossible to ascertain, because unlike American firms who are required by the SEC to register their ownership, British corporations have to follow no such practice—even when they trade on the American Stock Exchange.

BAT TRADING — unlisted on the curb in this country—issues American depository receipts through the Guarantee Bank and not the actual stocks. Records of BAT depository receipts or stock holders are not available here and may not be available for public inspection in England as well.

Reaction Sporadic

Reaction to the Arab pressure remains sporadic and inactive. A significant measure was taken by the Manhattan division of Hadassah, which in the past has distributed Viceroy cigarettes on its banquet and luncheon tables. It has now switched to another brand.

Viceroy has undertaken an extensive advertising campaign in United States Anglo-Jewish newspapers.

Earlier investigations indicate that while some stores displayed a New York Post article, which reported the Brown and Williamson boycott of Israel, no significant drop in sales was reported by cigarette distributors of the Brown and Williamson brands.

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Can Mercy Be Strained Through Hoop Net?

YOU WOULD THINK that one would have little trouble straining the quality of mercy through a basketball net, but Jack Molinas could tell you it doesn't work any better than waiting for it to drop like the gentle rain from heaven.

Vass

Molinas, one-time Columbia university basketball All-American, has found that the rubber-enclosed bag of wind customarily employed in dribble-ball will pass far more easily through the spacious aperture designed for it than will the slightest remission of a youthful sin.

Jack, presently employed by the Williamsport Billies of the Eastern Professional league, was suspended from the National Basketball association four years ago for betting on the St. Wayne Pistons for whom he played.

President Maurice Podoloff of the NBA suspended Molinas indefinitely. In Podoloc's book indefinitely might be synonomous with eternally because no indication has been forthcoming when and if—if ever—Molinas' suspension will be lifted.

JACK, a basketball player of more than ordinary skill as indicated by his 32-points-per-game average with Williamsport, understandably has been growing restive of late.

He has applied formally to the NBA for reinstatement and a chance to perform again in the major league of basketball.

It isn't a question of money.

"I'd play for anything they want to pay. I'd play for nothing. I'd sign a blank contract just to get back, he says.

He cites his admission to the practice of law in New York state as an indication that his character has been cleared by an unusually discriminating section of society. He argues that if he's fit to be a lawyer, he's fit to play basketball.

"PEOPLE COMMIT far more series crimes, including murder, and they don't get life. As it is with me now, I'm under a life sentence from playing basketball and I'm only 25, the prime of life."

Molinas is not arguing that he did no wrong when he made 10 bets on St. Wayne to win which netted him $400 during the 1953 season. But he feels that his penance has been long and arduous enough.

"I appreciate the gravity of my act and the ramifications of it. I never tried to deny I was betting on games and even Mr. Podoloff said he was leaving the door open for me some day when I was indefinitely suspended instead of being banished."

It isn't entirely the desire to clear his name that impels Molinas to seek re-entry into the NBA. It's also his love for basketball and confidence in his ability to play the game.

"I CAN SIT back and think that when I was with Ft. Wayne George Yardley was my sub and now he's the leading scorer in the league. I can think of how I'm averaging 32 points a game with Williamsport. I know that if they'd let me I could move into the NBA and help out some team."

Jack Molinas has built up a good case for his re-admission into the playing ranks of the NBA. Undoubtedly he has paid the penalty for his youthful error and enough time has passed now so that his re-instatement should be considered by Podoloff.

It is incontrovertible that professional sports cannot be too careful in protecting the public's trust in the validity of the competitive spirit which is its raison d'etre. Any suspicion cast upon the sincerity or honesty of the players in striving for victory could be fatal, or nearly so as baseball discovered in the Black Sox scandal of 1919.

But Jack Molinas' sin was not in attempting to throw games or to affect their outcome. He bet on his own team to win."

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WHAT'S DOING IN NEW YORK

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, Feb. 16, afternoon and evening. **National roll call conference of National Committee for Labor Israel.** Dr. Joseph Kaplan, chairman of U. S. Committee for the International Geophysical Year will speak. Hotel Commodore.

Monday, Feb. 24, 8 p. m. **Salute to Israel's tenth anniversary.** Performances by top entertainers and prominent Israeli and American government leaders. Admission free to purchasers of Israel Bonds. Town Hall, 123 W. 43d St.

VICINITY OF NEW YORK

Thursday-Saturday, Feb. 13-15. **Annual national conference of American Palestine committee.** Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City, N. J.

Sunday, Feb. 16. **Annual mid-winter conference of Long Island Zionists.** "Today's Zionist Purpose and Direction" will be discussed by 300 delegates. Beth Israel Jewish Center, Hempstead, Long Island.

Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 p. m. **Harry L. Golden**, editor of the Carolina Israelite, will speak at the Temple Beth El men's club, 1271 Clinton Pl., Elizabeth, N. J. Tickets can be obtained by writing to Temple Beth El. Admission $1.50 per person.

LECTURES AND SYMPOSIUMS

Saturday, Feb. 15, 8:40 p. m. **"Contemporary Jewish Chamber Music,"** concert of Israeli and American Jewish music to commemorate Israel's tenth anniversary. YM-YMHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave. Admission $1.

Monday, Feb. 17, 8:30 p. m. **"Israel's Contribution to the United Nations,"** lecture by Mrs. Tamar Shohar-Sharon, first secretary advisor of economic and social council affairs to the United Nations. Theodor Herzl institute, 250 W. 57th St.

Monday, Feb. 17, 11 a. m. **"Great Women in Jweish History: Henrietta Herz and her Circle,"** lecture by Rabbi Herbert Parzen. Theodor Herzl institute.

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 8:40 p. m. **"Analysis of the News of the Month: General and Jewish,"** by Max Lerner. YM-YWHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave. Admission $2.

Tuesdays, Feb. 18 and 25, 8:30 p. m., **The Family in the Book of Genesis:** Two lectures by Dr. Raphael Patai, anthropologist and author. Feb. 18, "Marriage and Sex Mores." Feb. 25, "Circumcision and Wedding Rites." Theodor Herzl institute.

Wednesday, Feb. 19, 8:30 p. m. **Midweek forum:** "Ancestry of Sigmund Freud," lecture by Dr. Will Aaron, and "Jewish Aspects of Sigmund Freud's Life and Work," lecture by David Sidorsky, editor of the Reconstructionist. Theodor Herzl institute.

Wednesdays, Feb. 19 and .6, 11 a. m. **The Bible in the world of music:** Two loctures by Siegfried Landau, composer and conductor of the Brooklyn Symphony. Theodor Herzl institute.

Thursday, Feb. 20, 6:30 p. m. **"The Ideas of the New Testament and Their Jewish Background: The Messiah,"** lecture by Dr. Theodor H. Gaster. YM-YWHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave. Admission $1.

Thursday, Feb. 20, 8:30 p. m. **"What's in a Jewish Name,"** lecture by Rabbi Alfred Kolatch. Theodor Herzl institute.

Sunday, Feb. 23, 3:30 p. m. **"Moondial: Rosh Hodesh Variety Program. (Adar)"** Main feature, "Scroll Named Esther." Theodor Herzl institute.

Where To Find Your National Jewish Organization

Anti-Defamation League of B.B., 515 Madison Ave., New York 22, N. Y.

Farband Labor Zionist Order, 45 E. 17th St., N. Y. 4—OR 3-6500.

Jewish National Fund, 42 East 69th St., New York 21—VA 6-3780.

Kashruth Supervisors Union. 205 W 14th St. — AL 5-7330

National Community Relations Advisory Council. 9 E 38th. MU 5-1606.

Union of American Hebrew Congregations, 838 Fifth Ave RE 7-8200.

Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, 305 Broadway New York 7, N. Y. BE 3-2220.

THEATER AND MUSIC

Sunday, Feb. 16, 2:40 p. m., **Israel dance festival** under the direction of Fred Berk, with Israeli singer Miss Natanya Davrath as guest soloist, Hunter College assembly hall, 69th St. between Park and Lexington Aves.

"Father Holds Court," new comedy-drama by Israel Bashevis, presented by the Folksbiene, veteran Yiddisn stage group. Radin Playhouse, 128 Stanton St.

ART

Classes in Jewish cooking. Thursday afternoon and evening. Educational Alliance, 197 E. Broadway. For information call GR 5-6200.

Classes in Conversational Hebrew and Yiddish. Monday evenings, 7:30 p. m. to 9:30 p. m. Educational Alliance, 197 E. Broadway. For information, call GR 5-6200.

Commemoration Exhibit: Works of Abraham Mapu, father of the modern Hebrew novel. Display of 28 books and manuscripts, including rare first editions and translations of Mapu's four Hebrew novels. Feb. 3-28. Library of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, 122d St. and Broadway.

Art exhibit: "Journey to Israel," an exhibit of paintings and drawings by artist Jacques Zucker. Feb. 4-26. Fridays 10:30 a. m. to 4 p m., Mondays-Thursdays, 10:30 a. m. to 6:30 p m. Theodor Herzl institute.

Art exhibit: Works of Abram Tromka. Showing will include oil paintings, etchings and drawings on Jewish themes. House of Living Judaism, 383 Fifth Ave., Feb. 1-Mar. 31.

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VOICE OF ISRAEL UPS ARABIC FARE

TEL AVIV (NJP)—Israel has launched a powerful Arabic broadcasting station able to reach every corner of the Middle East. The station has taken over Arab language programs from Kol Israel, the Israel broadcasting service.

The station, called "Dar el Iza 'a el Israelia," has the double function of providing better broadcasting service for Israel's own Arabs and counteracting Arab propaganda.

Listening to the Arabic language programs in neighboring countries is illegal and subject to heavy penalty. Israel places no restrictions on radio listening.

The new station was added because Kol Israel had an overloaded programming schedule of both Arabic and Hebrew language programs.

Rabbi's Charge

Israel Told: Don't Turn Clock Back

TRENTON, N. J. (NJP)—**ISRAEL MUST** "stop turning the clock backward in religion," warned Rabbi S. Joshua Kohn of Conservative Adath Israel Congregation here. Rather, he wrote in his Temple bulletin, Israel should "move forward."

"There is a great danger that the Jewish religion will be petrified in the law that is out of touch with modern life," the rabbi wrote. He cited as an instance of this "petrification" the refusal of Orthodox leaders in Israel to allow the marriage of a man whose mother was converted by a Liberal rabbi in Germany (NJP, Jan. 10, 17).

HE ALSO charged that allowing the Orthodox rabinate to have the legal sanction of Israel's government in certain areas of life will alienate Diaspora Jewry from Israel. As a result, "instead of one Jewish people throughout the world we will have tribes of Jews of various shades," he declared.

"Turning back the clock," religiously, Rabbi Kohn charged, "is a denial of the elemental facts that millions of Jews are Conservative and Reform, who want to and do live the Jewish life but not in strict conformity with the Shulhan Aruh."

"It is a system that will divide Jewry and cause a continual and ever widening cleavage."

ISRAEL GROWS THIRD OF COTTON

JERUSALEM (NJP) — Israel will provide 30 per cent of her cotton needs this year with her 3,700-ton production of cotton lint.

This year's crop is expected to save Israel $7 million in imports of cotton (NJP, Oct. 25).

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DIGEST OF YIDDISH PRESS

Polish Jews Weary, Want to Leave

By RABBI SAMUEL M. SILVER

You can count on the fingers of your hand the Polish Jews who want to remain where they are. That is what the leader of Polish Jewry, Dr. Alexander Lebow, told the Forward's S. L. Shneiderman, who went to Poland for a look-see. Poland's 40,000 Jews and the 12,000 Jews who have come to Poland from Russia are weary and disconsolate, Shneiderman learned.

Rabbi Silver

Those arriving from Russia are skilled mechanics but the most recent batch are old and tormented ex-slave campers, who constitute a real problem for the JDC and the ORT, which have resumed operation is Poland.

EVIDENCE OF the desire of Polish Jews to go to Israel is the fact that Dr. Lebow himself, a prosperous physician, is readying himself and his family for aliya. Part of the preparation consists in Hebrew sessions with a tutor for the entire Lebow family. Shneiderman watched one of these sessions and was intrigued to note that the one learning Hebrew he best is Dr. Lebow's son-in-law: a non-Jew (who can't wait to get to the Jewish state).

Laskov Is Model Of Israeli Militarist

HAIM LASKOV, the general who succeeded Moshe Dayan as Israel's chief of staff, is the model of a modern Israeli militarist: tall, rugged, crew-cut, whose hobbies include boxing, yachting, Hebrew literature, pipe-collecting,and reading of Kipling. Only 39, he was brought from Russia to Israel as five-year-old, lost his father in the Arab riots of 1930 (and kept his name in defiance of Ben-Gurion, in honor of his father), and was a runner for the Hagana while still a kid.

Both an infantryman and an air force man, he rounded out his education a few years ago at Oxford where he studied political science, philosophy and economics while his wife, Shulamith, took courses in English, Russian and Bible.

DAYAN, NOW 41, is said to be B-G's choice for defense minister and perhaps, ultimately, prime minister, although in this respect he may be trumped by diplomatic ace Abba Eban, who is expected to be brought into the Israeli cabinet in the not too distant future (S. Izban, in the Day-Journal).

THE KEMPFER, Labor Zionist publication, warns that a flock of Irgunists are descending upon the U. S. from Israel. Their purpose is to strengthen their prestige in Israel, where they have been stymied since their heyday just before the Arab-Israel war. Apparently, the group, headed by Menahem Begin, intends to apply pressure on the American government to give guarantees to Israel, using the Soviet menace as their arguing point, and then go back to Israel and claim that they were able to effectuate what the Ben-Gurion government couldn't accomplish. "Irresponsible," is what the Kempfer calls the alleged plan.

Alliance to Plant Rubber in Nigeria

HADERA, Israel (NJP)—The Alliance Tire and Rubber Co. of this city expects to establish rubber plantations in Western Nigeria and possibly in the new state of Ghana to assure supplies of rubber for its production.

The firm, which did $5 million in business last year, exports more than half of its output to foreign countries. It will operate the Nigeria plantations jointly with the Dayton Rubber Company of Ohio, which provides technical assistance to Alliance.

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MIAMI TO WELCOME PHILIP KLUTZNICK

With Israel Bonds rocketing on its way with the sale of $14,601,200 in bonds, and CJA launching a new top figure of $927,000, Miamians prepared this week to give international president of B'nai B'rith PHILIP KLUTZNICK a royal welcome. It's the age of guided missiles, but Klutznick, now a United Nations delegate, will report to his followers that there can be no world without guided men. State, county, and city officials will welcome Klutznick when he guest speaks at the 33d anniversary of Sholom lodge at the Deauville Hotel, Feb. 23.

Klutznick

HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS TO PITCH FOR CJA

When HELEN GAHAGAN DOUGLAS arrives in town Feb. 18 for the giant CJA women's luncheon at the Deauville Hotel, she'll receive a warm welcome despite the coldest winter in our history. "We're cold down here," chairman MRS. SAMUEL SAKRAIS acknowledged, "but our hearts are warm." The luncheon is a sell out." The former congresswoman and noted actress was recently named one of the "12 smartest women in the world."

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HELEN DOUGLAS
... Warm Welcome Due

She'll talk about her recent visit to Israel which she made with husband MELVYN DOUGLAS.

FAMED DOCTORS HERE FOR YESHIVA U.

Three of the worlds foremost physicians and surgeons will be hosted by builder and humanitarian ABRAHAM LEVITT, Leb. 16, at the Fontainebleau Hotel. Panel includes DR. LEO M. DAVIDOFF, world-famed neurosurgeon who heads the department of surgery at Albert Einstein College—DR. SAMUEL LEVINE, brilliant heart specialist—DR. MARCUS D. KOGEL, dean of the college. . . . CHARLES FROST, Westport philanthropist, will receive the first annual Albert Einstein College service award.

Kogel

THE TIP OFF

The passing of HR 8308 (humane slaughter bill) will probably result in a rise in the price of kosher slaughtered animals. Despite the all-out efforts of RABBI TIBOR STERN, the bill passed by a voice vote in the House of Representatives. Rabbi Stern called on Miami Jewry to write protest letters to Sen. George Smathers and Sen. Spessard Holland.

DID YOU KNOW THAT

"Marjorie Morningsar," Herman Wouks novel, will have its world premiere at Miami Beach. NATALIE WOOD will be on hand. . . . MRS. MOSHE DAYAN, dressed in a brown, hand-woven, woolen-cotton suit and wearing an enamel pin, was the talk of the town. Everything she wore was made by Maskit. . . . Beth Jacob Congregation will present a Torah to LEON GELLMAN, president of World Religious Zionist Organization. The Torah will be presented to a new settlement in Israel. . . . RABBI ALFRED WAXMAN, of Temple Zion, honored here with a life contract. His original 30 family memberships have grown to a congregation of 400 families. . . . SARA LEVI-TANAI will dance into town on Feb. 26. Shell present the Inbal Dancers. The dancers are Yemenites. . . . MANE KATZ here to display Israeli art is being honored in Haifa beyond the dream of any other living artist by having a building to be known as "Museon Mane-Katz" constructed in his honor. . . . YEHUDI MENUHIN, in town for concerts, predicts that LEONARD BERNSTEIN will be the best thing that has happened to the New York Philharmonic.

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CELEBS IN TOWN

COL. JACOB ARVEY at the Barcelona Hotel chatting with DAVE DUBINSKI and AFL-CIO

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COMING EVENTS

Feb. 16 — Yeshiva University award dinner. Fontainebleau Hotel.

Feb. 18 — CJA luncheon. Mrs. Helen Douglas. Deauville Hotel

Feb. 23 — Philip Klutznick Sholem lodge 33d anniversary.

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By REVY BALKIN

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president GEORGE MEANY during the AFL-CIO executive sessions. . . . SHAI K. OPHIR, Israeli pantomimist, who appeared on Shirley Temple's TV show, at the Shore Club. . . . MRS. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT chiding the U. S. for not congratulating Russia for its Sputnik: "It was a scientific achievement and we shouldn't have acted like children Mrs. Roosevelt, told The POST and OPINION that she wanted to spend some time in Miami, but other speaking engagements made it impossible. She did get the time in another fashion. ORT's ETHEL GOLD presented her with a beautiful Zodiac watch addressed to "the most admired woman in the world." . . . DR. SAMUEL ROSENBLATT, son of the famous cantor, JOSEF ROSENBLATT, at the Royal Palm Hotel. He'll join in the Golden wedding anniversary of MR. and MRS. JOSEPH LEADERMAN, members of his Baltimore congregation. . . . DR. JACK MASUR, assistant surgeon general, United States, conferring with Mt. Sinai's executive director SAMUEL GERTNER. SIMEON RUDNICK, honorary president of Temple Kadimah in Brighton, soon to celebrate his 90th birthday at the Blackstone Hotel. . . . DR. SOLOMON B. FREEHOF, distinguished scholar and author to guest speak at the fourth institute on Judaism, Feb. 22.

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Rappaport

At the NAUTILUS—LT. COL. T. L. MORRIS, center of attention at the hotel. He's part of the Cape Canaveral missile team. . . . At the SEA ISLE — New Brunswick Jewish leader ABE DAVIDSON inviting Sea Isle guests to Israel ball. Worked with LOUIE ALTSHULER, Newton, Mass., and JOSEPH CUTLER, of Philly, to make ball a success.

What's on the Air

RADIO

Sunday, Feb. 16, 10:05 a. m. EST —Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum of Beth Israel Congregation, Jackson, Miss., to discuss "The Real Issue," on a program honoring brotherhood week, on Message of Israel program, ABN.

Sunday, Feb. 16, 12:30 p. m. EST "Abbie Could See," a dramatization of the life of Dr. Abner Kurtin who developed plastic planing, a method for removing skin defects, by Marc Siegel, on Eternal Light program, NBC.

STEEL SMELTER LIGHTED

HAIFA—A German-made steel smelting furnace at the Koor rolling mill, near Acre, has been fired, the last step before rolling can start.

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The News Hopper

3 Million Seen Living In Israel

ISRAEL'S population will hit three million in 10 years, DR. JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, vice-president of the Israel bond organization, told a three-day international inaugural conference for Israel bonds in Miami Beach, Fla.

Israel's capacity to reach that figure depends on how much economic assistance it gets from America, he declared.

Solon Doesn't Want ADL Recognition

A BILL passed by the House of Representatives recognizing shehita as humane now goes to the Senate. . . . Representative ROBERT W. HEMPHILL of South Carolina has requested the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith not to include him among members of the 85th Congress to be honored in March for passing civil rights legislation.

Sunday Blue Laws Hit

THE JEWISH population of the United States may reach 5.5 million in 1960, according to a sample survey on religious affiliation conducted last March by the Federal census bureau. . . . Representative LEONARD FARBSTEIN of New York has urged the strengthening of the Eisenhower doctrine "to assure Israel against attack by its neighbors." Representative Farbstein just returned from a study mission in Israel. . . . Compulsory Sunday observance laws violate religious liberty, the Synagogue Council of America and the National Community Relations Advisory Council declared in a joint statement this week.

Overt Anti-Semitism Seen in Germany

ISRAEL'S Knesset is girding for sharp debate on a bill favoring retention of Israel's present electorial system of proportional representation. Mapai and General Zionists both want a U. S.-type local district ballot. . . . HANS-BODO GORGASZ, a former Nazi doctor who gassed more than 10,000 Jews to death, has been released from a German prison. . . . Overt anti-Semitism is again rearing its head in Germany, declared DR. HEINZ GALINSKI, leader of the Berlin Jewish community. . . . The credentials of ERNEST GUNTHER MOHR, accused of having been responsible for the deportion and death of thousands of Dutch Jews, are reportedly being given careful scrutiny by Swiss foreign ministry officials before Mohr is accepted as German ambassador to Switzerland.

CANADIAN secretary for external affairs SIDNEY SMITH this week lauded the Jewish role in his country's development.... Iraq found herself without support in her anti-Israel stand at the recent Baghdad pact conference in Ankara, Turkey, according to the Zionist International News Service. . . . Israel Hatzeira, General Zionist youth movement in Israel, has decided to expand activities in the Diaspora. . . . "Solel Boneh," Israel's Histadrut-controlled building and industrial trust, should be split up, declared Pinhas Lavor, secretary-general of the Histadrut.

Your Name

Want to know what your name means? Address your questions to Mr. Pearlroth, National Jewish POST and OPINION, Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

By N. PEARLROTH

DEAR MR. PEARLROTH: I subscribe to your newspaper, and your column is always of great interest to me. I would appreciate it if you would be so kind as to advise me, if possible, the origin and meaning of my family name, which is Blaugrund. I came to the United States 35 years ago from Czechoslovakia. The part of the country where I was born was at that time the northern part of Hungary, county of Zemplen, which after World War I, as you know, was made a part of Czechoslovakia. Thank you very kindly for your attention.—SIGMUND H. BLAUGRUND, Albuquerque, N. M.

BLAUGRUND, a German translation of the English Blue Ground refers to the blue rock in South Africa in which diamonds are found. But this, of course, has no connection with your family name. Your name is a shortened version of the German Blaugrundel, a small bony fish which in English is known as the Blue Goby. Most fish names on the Jewish roster are connected with the Hebrew name Ephraim whose blessing consisted of fertility. Because the fish is also emblematic of fertility, Jewish boys named Ephraim usually received the by-name of Fish or Fishel. The by-name later became a family name, except that the fish sometimes was modified into what was a local favorite dish. Thus some Ephraims called themselves Karp, others Hecht (pike), still others Forell (trout). In your case it was the blue goby which in spite of its boniness is considered a tasteful fish.

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DEAR MR. PEARLROTH: I always read your column with great interest. I would appreciate very much your tracing the origin of my maiden name Kotlus. It seems to be a very odd name since I've never heard of it or seen it listed anywhere except in regard to our immediate family. I came from Szklov — Mohiliner Gubernya — White Russia. Thank you very kindly. — MRS. SADIE KOTLUS BERGER, Bronx 56, New York.

KOTLUS, more correctly Kotlarz, is a Polish-Byelo Russian term denoting a kettlesmith or a boiler-maker. The family name is sometimes spelled Cutler or Kessler. All these family names are derived from the trade. The peculiar garbling of the name is due to the fact that in the original version the terminal "rz" is pronounced like an "sh."

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I THINK AS I PLEASE

'Intermarriage' Among Israelis Increases

By CARL ALPERT

HAIFA — One of the daily newspapers, Hazofeh, which possibly has easier access to the records of the rabbinate because it is the organ of the Mizrachi party, periodically publishes an interesting list of the couples who have registered for marriage What makes fascinating reading is the information regarding the place of birth of each of the principals.

Alpert

JUSOV SCHWARTZ of Rumania has chosen as his bride Lydia Kamona, born in Tunis. Stephen Baram, native of Germany, registers his fair lady as Clara Gillis of South Africa. Moshe Harosh of Morocco joins hands with Mazal Fortuna, recently of Egypt. Saadia Malachi, who came to Israel from Yemen, puts his ring on the finger of Masan Hakmon, of Tripoli. Reuben Ehrlich, of Germany, chooses Lona Yishai of Tunis.

And so the list goes. In cases such as those I have cited, the immediate romance of the couple is eclipsed by the greater drama of the meeting of two worlds, and the fusion of Jewish families from different cultures and backgrounds. In lists like these one can sense the true making of history—the ingathering of the exiles and the forging of a new nation.

IT IS TO be expected that the majority of Israelis will wed young people from the circles in which they move. There is a natural gregariousness, especially among newcomers. Language factors are important, and a recent Polish immigrant is apt to spend his time with others from Poland who can speak his tongue freely. Religion is another important element. Orthodox families from North Africa look upon "intermarriage" with free-thinking sabras as a grave fate. Their objections are natural, and have nothing to do with social discrimination. Economics considerations cannot be ignored, of course, in other cases.

Yet in a country like Israel, where social lines have not been drawn as hard and fast as in older countries, it is easier to cross the railroad tracks and match up families from opposite sides.

'Intermarriage' On Steady Upgrade

What do the statistics show? Intermarriage between the two groups — the Sephardi-Oriental-North African group on the one hand, and the Ashkenazi-European group on the other—is steadily on the increase in the country. In 1944 only 2.7 per cent of the marriages were intercommunal. In 1947 the percentage rose to 6.4. In 1952 it was 9 per cent. And in 1955 it had gone up to 11.8. For anyone who may have been concerned about perpetuation of previous national differences, and the danger of a nation fragmentized into scores of self-contained ghettoes, these figures are extremely encouraging.

EVEN MOPE important is the large number of newcomers to the country who marry veteran settlers. For purposes of the statistics, anyone who has been in the country since prior to the establishment of the state is a veteran. Those who flooded in thereafter are newcomers. More than 13,000 marriages were analyzed from this point of view, and 24.5 per cent were found to be mixed, that is, a newcomer matched with a veteran. Surely this is significant evidence of rapid integration of the immigrants.

German, Yemenites 'Break' Group Ties

The longer the Jews are in the country, the more apt they are to cross community lines. The statistics show that German-born Jews—and we may assume that most of these came to the country in the late '30's as little children—range the field widely. Only 21 per cent of the "German" grooms have chosen "German" girls.

THE YEMENITES have always been held up as examples of a closely-knit, self-contained community, yet 20 per cent of Yemenite youth have in the past two years married outside of their community, and the social atmosphere in Israel is such as to warrant the confident belief that the percentage will increase rapidly.

And from this cross-breeding and cross-fertilization there is arising a new nation in Israel.

THAI ENVOY ARRIVES

LYDDA AIRPORT, Israel—Thailand's first minister to Israel Nai Phairot Javanama, landed here last week.

LOOKING BACKWARD . . .

Nazis See Germany Rid Of Her Jews by 1958

20 YEARS AGO

Germany will rid herself of the bulk of her Jewish population by 1958, declared Das Schwarze Korps, organ of Hitler's elite guards. . . . The anti-Jewish tax campaign in Germany was stepped up through discriminatory alteration of the capital tax.

10 YEARS AGO

A full-page advertisement in the Chicago Tribune, openly anti-Semitic, warned Americans not to let this country "be dragged into a war to create a nationalist sovereign Jew state in Palestine."

FIVE YEARS AGO

Vandals desecrated the Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation cemetery in Indianapolis, Ind., toppling over huge monuments and destroying smaller ones.

ONE YEAR AGO

Proposed sanctions against Israel unless she withdrew from the Gaza strip and Aqaba were termed "immoral" by Senator William Knowland of California. . . . A survey showed that the rate of drinking grew as Orthodoxy declined. . . . A majority of America's dailies declared themselves not to be pro-Israel, according to a survey by the Florida state school of journalism.

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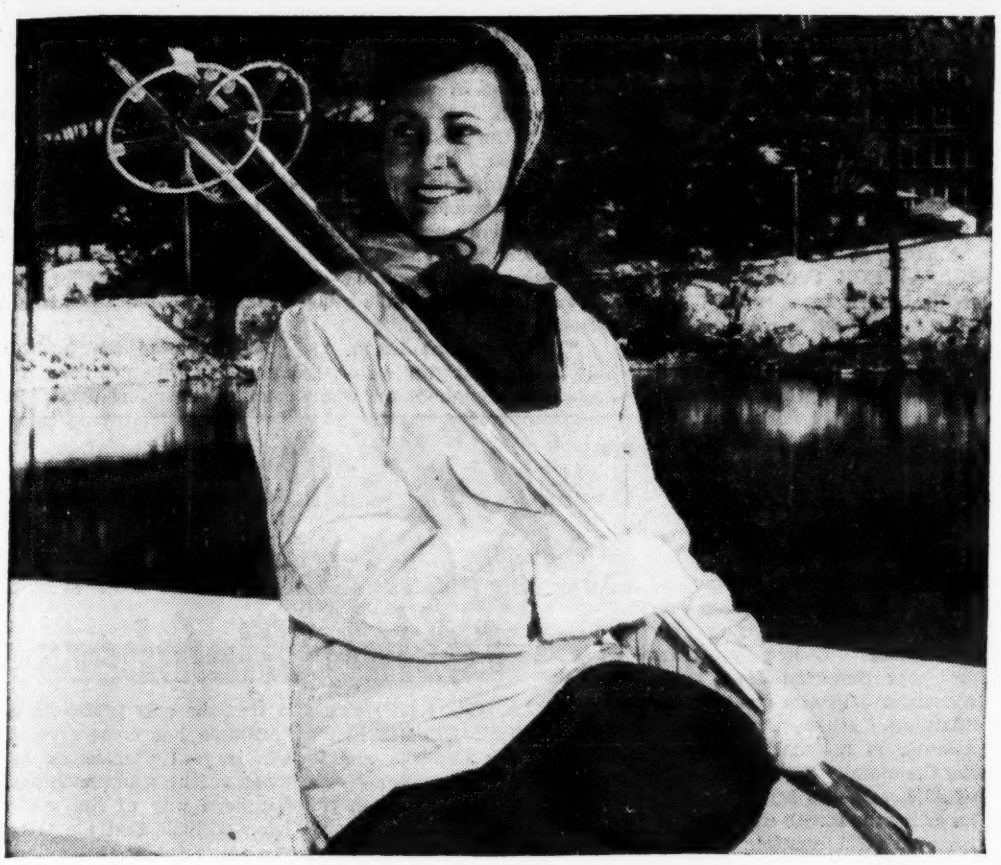


Beauty in the Snow

She's lovely, she's an elementary education major and she's just been crowned Winter Queen of the University of Massachusetts' annual winter carnival, "Frosty Fantasy" in Amherst, Mass. A member of a family that apparently walks in beauty, Miss Barbara Feldman, 18-year-old freshman at the university, is the sister of Miss Massachusetts of 1953 and 1954, Lois Feldman. Barbara is a member of the Hillel Foundation and active in youth events in Temple Israel in Natick, Mass., her home town.

MARTY GIVES UP BUSINESS TO CHASE FILM RAINBOW, GETS LAST LAUGH

By STAN LEVINE

ALBANY, N. Y. (NJP)—They all laughed when Marty Bellin gave up a prosperous business in Albany to follow his rainbow of theatrical yearning. Now Marty has the last laugh. Hollywood beckoned for a screen test which may rocket him to fame in filmdom.

He's the winner of a nationwide contest, sponsored by Columbia pictures. The prize, an expenses paid trip to the celluloid capital and a chance to try out for a movie contract, could not have gone to a more excited citizen.

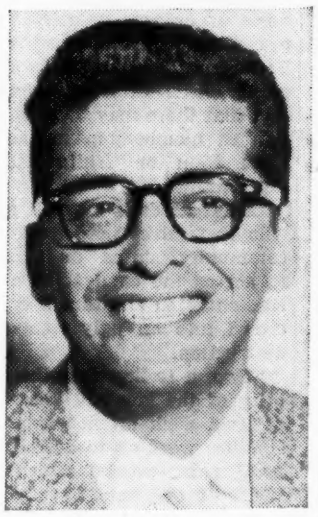
BECAUSE, Marty confesses, "I've been stage-struck all my life. I've already given up one career to study drama, and what I've learned since should stand me in mighty good stead about now."

About a year ago, Marty sat in an Albany threater and viewed a Columbia Pictures short, entitled, "The Screen Snapshot Guess Who Contest." It gave movie goers across the nation the opportunity to compete by identifying film celebrities who appeared in disguise.

Last week Marty receive the news that he'd won the coveted award. Marty's reaction was instantaneous. "I'm paralyzed," he said.

DESPITE THE FACT he had no difficulty with the contest, and, as it turned out, scored a rousing 100 per cent, Marty hadn't spent the past year hopefully awaiting a miracle.

"I've learned that any career means lots of hard work," he explained. "Besides, I'd never had a single bit of acting experience, and I knew that, even if I should win the contest, I'd be hopelessly lost if I hadn't at least some theatrical training."



MARTY BELLIN
. . . They All Laughed

Three months ago Marty made the break. He gave up his business and moved to New York City, where he has since attended the Kurt Conway Theatre Studio, studying under the coaching of Howard da Silva.

"He thinks I've a good chance to make the Hollywood grade," Marty beamed. "If I do, it'll be because of what I've already learned from him.'

MARTY, WHO IS six feet tall, weighs 175 pounds and is 34, is unmarried, but admits he's looking for a wife. "I'm not interested in Hollywood girls, though," he added quickly. "I prefer the hometown variety."

Meanwhile, he's looking forward to the start of his Hollywood jaunt Feb. 9. Since the trip is for two, he's taking along his niece, Barbara Cooper, 14, of Burlington, Vt.

The pair will spend a week at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, will tour studios and will meet countless film celebrities. Depending upon the outcome of the screen test and upon other prospects for a movie career, Marty may extend his stay on the West Coast.

While his ambition is for a career in movies and television —"I'd like to sort of pattern myself after John Garfield or Anthony Quinn"—Marty is also interested in the stage. He has an investment in the new Mindy Carson play, "The Body Beautiful," which opened on Broadway.

CIRCUS ANIMALS IN HAIFA

HAIFA—Animals of the Medrano circus were unloaded here last week from the SS Avraham Graetz.

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San Quentin Librarian

He Took An Exam To Get Into Prison

SAN QUENTIN, Cal. (NJP)—**THE STATE** prison's library here is no longer a "criminal" operation, thanks to Herman K. Spector.

Spector, the prison's first civilian professional librarian, follows in the footsteps of Dick Fellows, noted highwayman of the 1870's and other inmates who acted as prison librarians. Spector, of course, is not a criminal, and is an "inmate" only during his working hours.

He notes that he, in fact, had to take a civil service interview to get into San Quentin. Fellows, his early-day predecessor, got in "the hard way," but wound up giving long moral speeches to other convicts and eventually became a teacher in the Folsom Prison department of moral instruction. He claimed to have been a Harvard man.

SPECTOR SAYS he is only a "meager Columbia graduate." He is recognized, however, as one of the outstanding librarians in the nation. Although San Quentin has had a library since 1852, Spector is its first professional librarian.

In his 11 years as chief librarian Spector has turned the prison's library from a hit-and-miss chaplain's hobby to a trained operation aimed at meeting the rehabilitation needs of San Quentin's inmates.

Of some 4,250 inmates in 1957, the average number of Jewish prisoners was 41, Spector noted.

The prison library provides a selection of "thousands" of Jewish books, magazines, newspapers and pamphlets donated by friends of the institution, Spector told The POST and OPINION.

THE LIBRARY itself has purchased more than 80 Jewish books (including the Jewish encyclopedia) and about two dozen Jewish records. The library's Jewish chaplain, Rabbi Iser Freund, has "regular budgeted funds for the purchase of study books, professional texts, prayer books, hymnals, Bibles and special religious items," he said.

Spector stressed however that men's interest in books did not follow religious or ethnic lines "Men use and read books primarily, we believe, because of their interest or particular need; and secondly, perhaps, because of any religious affiliation, he told The POST and OPINION.

Spector told The POST and OPINION that "Jewish books" —whether books written by Jewish authors, or books dealing with Jewish problems are used by all manner of men.

Very few Yiddish books are in the San Quentin library, primarily because there have been no request for them, Sepctor said.

ASKED ABOUT an upsurge in religious interest among Jewish prisoners, Spector said he didn't think he had any calculable index to a trend in any direction.

HERMAN K. SPECTOR
. . . Part-Time Inmate

"We have made pilot studies of the reading interests and intensities of some of our Negro, Mexican and general 'white' populations, on a comparative basis," Spector said. "We found very little significant of a qualitative or quantitative nature to really allow or explain their respective identifications."

San Quentin's men were in desperate need of a skillfully managed library before Spector came. In the first two years that he was at the institution, users of his library increased from 489 to 3,226.

THE AVERAGE San Quentin reader borrows 100 books a year from the library, which now numbers about 25,000 volumes. Five thousand of these were ordered in the first two years that Spector was librarian at San Quentin.

Spector, who was chief librarian of the department of correction of New York City from 1937-1946, keeps close to the men he serves through frequent lectures to San Quentinites on how to take fullest advantage of the library's services. He also leads a great book discussion group every other Wednesday night.

AIR POST CARD GETS WINGS

LOS ANGELES (NJP)—Milt Forrest, public relations counselor, now has a second wish fulfilled.

The first was the airmail post card issued by the United Nations last year. The second is the recent adoption of a world airmail post card by the Universal Postal Union—his dream and project for seven years. Both cards were originated by Forrest, who also devised the United States 4-cent airmail post card.

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Jews in The South: A Look At A Sensitive Situation

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JEWS NOT SO JITTERY NOW, DECLARES LEADING SOUTHERN RABBI

By GABRIEL M. COHEN

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (NJP) —A soft-spoken rabbi from the deep South who has spoken out vigorously for Negro rights this week told a Jewish audience here that although the Jewish people of the South are "pretty frightened," they aren't so jittery as they used to be.

Reform Rabbi Charles Mantinband of Hattiesburg, Miss., who himself pleads for time for the South to adjust itself to the new conditions, asked for understanding for the position of the Jews of the South.

The Southern Jew still prefers to take things slowly. He doesn't want to be conspicuous. But the Jewish people of the South, a term Rabbi Mantinband used over and over again, are losing their fear of boycotts.

EVEN THE Jews who have joined the White Citizen's councils, which oppose integration bitterly, did not earn Rabbi Mantinbands severe condemnation. He said that in a democracy a person had a right to join any organization as long as it did not disturb the peace.

Near the end of his talk, however, he did condemn them, although in his mild-mannered way.

"Some of our people have sought to be all things to all people, and are going along with the majority, and even have joined the White Citizens councils."

The rabbi declared that the Jews of the South were going to have to take sides soon. He urged the moderate approach, with Jews taking the position that they stand for human dignity and the rights of all. He said this approach will help others to begin thinking the same way.

How Temple Board Tried to Stifle Rabbi

HOW THE board of his congregation sought to stifle his freedom of speech and how he convinced them they were in error formed one of the highlights of the talk.

Rabbi Mantinband, whose willingness to take a stand on the Negro issue had won him the presidency of the Mississippi Council on Human Relations, a group dedicated to peaceful progress on the matter of school integration, had defended the NAACP.

The talk earned Rabbi Mantinband headlines in almost every Southern newspaper, not to mention newspapers in the North and the front page of the New York Times. Montgomery was at that time in the throes of the peaceful boycott launched by Rev. Martin Luther King and his backers.

Returning to Hattiesburg, Rabbi Mantinband was confronted by the streamer on the front page of his local daily paper, shouting: "Local Rabbi Says Race Relations Stink." In his talk, Rabbi Mantinband had used a quotation from Shakespeare to the effect that something smelled to high heaven.

The uproar in his community was not readily quieted down.

THE BOARD of his congregation appointed a five-man delegation to call on him.

Their first request was that he stop talking about the subject of integration.

He replied that he'd be glad to comply. Asked when, he replied "the day I die."

He then asked the delegation of whom he said were his close friends, why they would expect him to stop talking about the subject when they or the newspapers were not stopping talking about it.

THE NEXT request was that he refuse to address any more Negro groups.

The rabbi was in a conciliatory mood. He agreed. But he told the

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Praise, Not Tears, Due South's Jews

ATLANTA, Georgia (NJP)—**PRAISE FOR** Southern Jewry in the face of tense social problems in the South was underscored here by an ex-Atlantian who knows the region well, though he now works out of the New York headquarters for a Jewish organization.

Miller

"The Anglo-Jewish press and magazines have been crying far too many tears for 'poor Southern Jews," said Alexander Miller in an exclusive interview. Miller, formerly of Atlanta, is national director of the Community Services Division of ADL and was here as a keynoter for the fourth annual meeting of the Southeastern Regional Board of ADL.

"IT IS TIME to call a halt to the 'crying,'" Miller added. "Southern Jews have come through tensions admirably, though beset by fears, though no more than other people in the South who want social justice for all groups achieved and who find themselves caught in the same situation."

Miller said that if "you can remove violence and establish law and order in a community, other problems can be settled without anarchy. This — the establishment of order—is basically a police problem."

IN THUS UNDERSCORING one of ADL's approaches to problems emerging from potentially violent situations, Miller made clear his position.

"The role of a national organization or person in my position is to be a little ahead of the group but never so far ahead as to lose contact with it. Just don't fly locally in the face of local community feeling. I believe a great deal in local autonomy but, as an organization, we must fix objectives.

"I APPRECIATE the wisdom of almost all Southern Jews who realize that they are tied to (their) national organizations and (that) their communities can no more secede in 1958 than the Southern states could do 100 years ago."

Miller, firmly arguing that "the greatest thing the Jew in the South has to fear is fear itself," also noted an area in which false optimism might be born.

"THE WHITE CITIZENS COUNCILS today are smaller in numbers than years ago and the Ku Klux Klan is a fragmented movement. But," he warned, "no one should be heartened by the fact that the Klan or the Councils have lost membership.

"It takes only a few individuals to step into a problem; they can catalyze emotions of a crowd and change it into an ugly mob," just as (John) Kaspar did in Nashville."

'Government of Men, Not Laws,' Rated Top Threat to Minorities

ATLANTA, Ga. (NJP)—**"THE GREATEST DANGER"** in crises facing the South and the nation, "is that we're having a government of men and not a government of laws."

That concern was emphasized here by Arthur J. Levin, Southeastern director of the Anti-Defamation League, as he addressed the fourth annual meeting of the Southeastern Regional Board of ADL.

Levin underscored the fact that "our country was founded on the basis that minority groups must be protected" and the various problems emerging from social turmoil are not subjects "for majority rule."

The prevailing opinion on such matters as segregation and religion in the public schools today is that the will of the majority shall prevail.

"This," warned Levin, "is going back to the principle that 'might is right.' That today is the greatest danger to America—throughout the whole country—including the South."

Tension Still High, But Klan, Citizens' Groups Are Losing Members

ATLANTA, Ga. (NJP)—**THE DROP IN MEMBERSHIP** in the White Citizens Councils and in the Ku Klux Klan is no sign that tensions are easing in the South—but the Federal government will intervene whenever terrorists cause law and order to break down.

These beliefs were sounded here by Alexander F. Miller, national director of the Community Service Division of the Anti-Defamation League, as he addressed a special dinner which precluded the fourth annual meeting of the Southeastern Regional Board of the ADL here.

"Two conditions must always be present before a group of citizens turn into a howling mob," he said. "One, a seething sense of outrage, usually whipped up by impassioned agitation. Because of this reason, we can gather little comfort from the fact that there may be a diminution of membership in the Ku Klux Klan or White Citizens Councils.

"All it needs is a small group who themselves need have little community status or standing to act as the catalyst in a tension situation and turn a curious crowd into an ugly weapon of destruction.

"Two, a feeling that the authority of the law will tolerate or at least wink at mob excesses."

Miller went on to describe the focal point around which ugly incidents originate.

"I have been impressed most of all by the fact that a tiny minority in each community was responsible for the outbreaks. And the paradox of the situation is that the only praise for these hoodlums has come from those who regard themselves as the most ardent spokesmen for the Southern way of life, not realizing perhaps that the terrorists were actually betraying the South.

"For the ultimate end of their actiity was intervention by the Federal government. I believe a precedent has now been set and if law and order breaks down in the future, the Federal government will again appear on the scene.

"Certainly, if Southern leaders pride themselves in their desire to determine their own affairs — in the maintenance of state's rights—as Ralph McGill (editor) of the Atlanta Constitution has said frequently, along with state's right must go the assumption of state responsibilities.

"Unless law and order is maintained, it requires no oracle to foresee that the Federal government will and must continue to intervene in local situations and by that very process the self-determination of the states will be to that extent eroded."

Miller added:

"It must be reported that as the desegregation process moves closer to the core of the South, the fires of resistance flame higher and molasses appears to have been dripped into the gears of progress. As one Alabama leader stated the other day, 'What happened in Little Rock is a social tea compared to what will happen in Birmingham if an attempt is made to desegregate our schools.'"

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PLAN TO AVERT VIOLENCE OFFERED BY TEX. POLICE CHIEF

DALLAS, Tex (NJP)—A plan of action to avoid ugly interracial incidents has been devised here by police chief Carl Hannson.

The plan, to be released soon in a pamphlet published by the Anti - Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, offers eight tactical points for successfully dealing with violence:

1. Immediate recognition by the police of an unusual and dangerous situation and a quick report to headquarters.
2. Speedy mobilization of the police force.
3. Rapid, effective steps, planned in advance, to prevent curiosity seekers or potential rioters from entering the area.
4. Special precaution against the excessive use of force and insistence on diplomatic and impersonal action on the part of the police officers.
5. Large reinforcements held in reserve but quickly available if needed.
6. Co-operation of neighborhood leaders enlisted, both to plan strategy and to appeal directly to rioters.
7. Utilization of civilians as police auxiliaries.
8. Personal appeals to the rioters from high civilian officials.

This is the basic procedure for avoiding shows of mob violence, said Miller:

1. Allow no more than three persons to congregate within a mile of the school or house which is the focus of activity or crisis.
2. During the time that tension exists, let the police enforce the simple rule of 'keep 'em moving.' Allow no crowd to gather on any public property within the city limits without a proper permit.
3. Prevent parades or caravans from using public thoroughfares without a permit.

Miller noted, too, that the individual has a responsibility in heading off tension-packed situations.

"What of the role of the good citizens when violence occurs in a community. It is my strong feeling that his activity should be confined to encouraging the law enforcement authorities, backing them and pointing out their responsibilities to them.

"It would be a mistake for them to try to do combat with the members of the mob. This is the road to vigilantism, a way an undesirable as mob violence."

Miller maintained that the Lumbee Indians, at Maxton, N. C., took action that "was a violation of law and order and an invasion of the rights of freedom of speech and the freedom of assembly" when they fought with the KKK recently.

"There were 20 state troopers of North Carolina present at the Klan rally and if the Klansmen were violating any state or local ordinances, it was the responsibility of these troopers to disperse the crowd and take the leaders into custody."

Alabama Governor Candidate In Anti-Semitic Outbursts

ATLANTA, Ga. (NJP) — **THE ANTI-SEMITIC** accusations of a candidate in Alabama's current race for governor caused considerable concern at the fourth annual meeting here of the Southern Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League.

But no action was taken on the matter except the board's expressed feeling that the abusive language of John Crommelin, the gubernatorial candidate, emphasized a matter that would have to be dealt with by Alabamans on their home ground.

"This is an Alabama problem and will have to be taken care of in Alabama by the people of Alabama," said Arthur J. Levin, Southeastern ADL director. "They must give the people the facts and tell them how to use them and then rely on the good sense of these people to reject what is undemocratic."

COMMELIN WAS quoted during a forum of gubernatorial candidates as saying that "the satanic plot to mix the blood of the white Christian people of the South with Negroes is directed and financed by the Communist-Jewish conspiracy.

"The ultimate objective," Crommelin declared in Birmingham, "of the Communist-Jewish conspirators is to use their worldwide control of money to destroy Christianity and set up a world government in the framework of the United Nations . . . and eliminate all racial distinctions except the so-called Jewish race, which will then become the master race with headquarters in the state of Israel and in the United Nations in New York . . ."

While the ADL board refrained from taking action, it was pointed out by a spokesman that, "In the long-range picture, Crommelin is a passing danger as (John) Kasper was. But if we don't counteract the action of each one, however minor, we may miss the one who would become a Hitler."

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Rabbi Assails TV, Radio for Negro Slurs

JACKSON, Miss. (NJP) — **A SOUTHERN** Reform rabbi assailed his local television station and a "certain local columnist" for denouncing brotherhood week programs.

We Jews, declared Rabbi Perry E. Nussbaum of Beth Israel Congregation, "have not surrendered our Judaism" to racial bias.

Writing in his Temple bulletin on race relations Sunday and brotherhood week, the rabbi said he could not understand a denunciation over local television "of several Protestant text books . . . because some of the illustrations show children of different races gathered around their Christ."

He also attacked the local columnist for terming brotherhood week materials "propaganda aimed at promoting integration of the races under the guise of Christianity."

RABBI NUUSBAUM declared he did not "presume to tell Christians what to believe. But "we Jews have not surrendered our Judaism," he said. He sharply criticized people of his locality who fail to distinguish between "brotherhood" and "religious subversion."

"We emphatically affirm: We are for brotherhood or, if you will, America," he added.

Rabbi Nussbaum quoted a condemnation of racial bias from "A Message for Race Relations Sabbath 1958" issued by the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

WRITTEN BY Rabbi Julian Feibelman of Temple Sinai in New Orleans, the message condemned "those who distort and desecrate religious teachings and by misinterpretation would shamelessly misdirect it."

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delegation that he would also have to stop talking to white groups too.

This, he said, shocked them because one of the principal activities of the rabbi today is to be an ambassador to the non-Jews.

"The Jews get a great kick," he declared, "out of having their rabbis as ambassadors to the goyim."

When fears were expressed by some of the congregation about damage to their economic interests and other dangers, he advised them to wait 48 hours before doing anything.

HE SAID the "panic" in his congregation was over when the publisher of the paper which had carried the offending headline sent an unsolicited donation of $100 to the Temple to show his admiration.

Scores Attitude

While asking for understanding of the position of the Jews of the South, Rabbi Mantinband said he didn't have too much respect for the North or their attitude towards the Negro. He urged them not to feel superior and pointed out that it is easy to be liberal one thousand miles away from the scene of the battle.

RABBI MANTINBAND took a hopeful view of the outcome of the fight to give equality to the Negro. He said that eventually they would be accorded all their rights and responsibilities. He pointed to many people in the South who were beginning to understand that the Negro was making just demands.

As for the Little Rock situation, Rabbi Mantiband felt that sending troops was a poor solution. He said that using 1000 troops to protect eight Negro children was not the answer. He said that the people of Little Rock were still excited over the situation.

RABBI MANTINBAND disclosed that group of Southern leaders of whom he was one, had been called to a meeting in Washington by the National Conference of Christians and Jews who want guidance on whether to include in their program, race relations between white and Negro, in addition to the present activities in the field of relations between the various religious denominations.

HE SAID THAT although this was strongly recommended, the NCCJ had still not acted.

He said these same Southern leaders also urged vigorously that the President convene a meeting of top people in the South at the White House to urge peaceful progress in putting into effect the Supreme Court decision on integration in the schools. This too he said was rejected for fears that the Administration's fiscal or economic plans might be wrecked in Congress by angry Southerners.

Rabbi Mantinband praised Harry Golden, editor of The Carolina Israelite, for attacking the evil of bigotry on the level which while not intellectual was most effective because it derided the position of those who opposed civil liberties for the Negro.

ALIYA NO CURE-ALL FOR PROBLEMS

JERUSALEM (NJP) — **MOVING TO ISRAEL** won't solve your personal problems, wrote Meir Mindlin in a recent Jerusalem Post column.

Israel, he said, is not suited to the immigrant who has "fled" to Israel to escape his problems because Israel is a nation in transition, a society in flux without fixed social relations.

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By SARAH LIEBER

The origins of the art of cheese making are lost in antiquity. But authorities feel that cheeses were made and eaten during Biblical times. The ancient Hebrews were shepherds, and to them the making of sheep's milk cheese must have been well known. Today that old art is being modernized in Israel and promises to become an important industry. I have recently been fortunate enough to sample three delicious cheeses from Israel. All are kosher, and all are made from sheep milk. They are truly of gourmet quality.

Sarah

I AM TOLD that the sheep raised in the hills of Galilee give milk only from February to June. It is only during this short period that these cheeses can be produced. Two of the varieties are ripened, while the third is a "young" cheese. It is called "feta" and is very similar to the middle European cheese called "brunza alba." It is the kind used in the preparation of mamaliga. Of course, it may be used in many other ways as well. The closest we have to feta in this country is farmer's cheese though the feta is more flavorsome, and contains more salt.

There is a most unusual variety called "Gilead," a mild, nut-like yellow cheese useful as it is or in cooking. It is somewhat reminiscent of a Swiss Gruyere, though it is not processed. It is a natural cheese needing four to five months for ripening. It would be excellent with fruits for a sophisticated continental dessert. Good with wine or coffee, too.

For the first time to my knowledge, there is now a kosher blue type cheese. This is the "Galil," semi-soft and streaked with the characteristic bluish green. Served as it is (on pumpernickel or crackers) or mashed with cream cheese, it lends itself to many excellent recipes.

These three Israeli cheeses are recent comers to our country. You may not find them in all stores as yet. But if your grocer or you would like information as to their purchase, I suggest that you write to me at our New York office, 110 W. 40th St., New York 18, N. Y. If you will mark the envelope "Cheese," it will insure quicker response.

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½ tsp salt
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CHEESE CHARLOTTE

1¾ cups milk
6 slices white bread
3 eggs, separated
½ cup cream or evaporated milk, undiluted
salt, pepper and nutmeg to taste
½ lb. Gilead cheese, shredded

SCALD THE milk. Cut four slices of bread in halves, dip into the milk. Line a buttered baking dish with these slices. Cut the remaining bread slices into small cubes and soak in the milk. Let stand. Beat the egg yolks. Add the cream, milk, seasonings, milk-soaked bread cubes. Stir in cheese. Beat the egg whites until stiff, and fold in carefully. Turn into the bread lined baking dish. Bake 25 to 35 minutes at 350 degrees or until a knife inserted in the center comes out clean. Serve at once. Serves four.

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1 lb. Galil cheese
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2 tblsps. cream or milk
pinch of cayenne pepper

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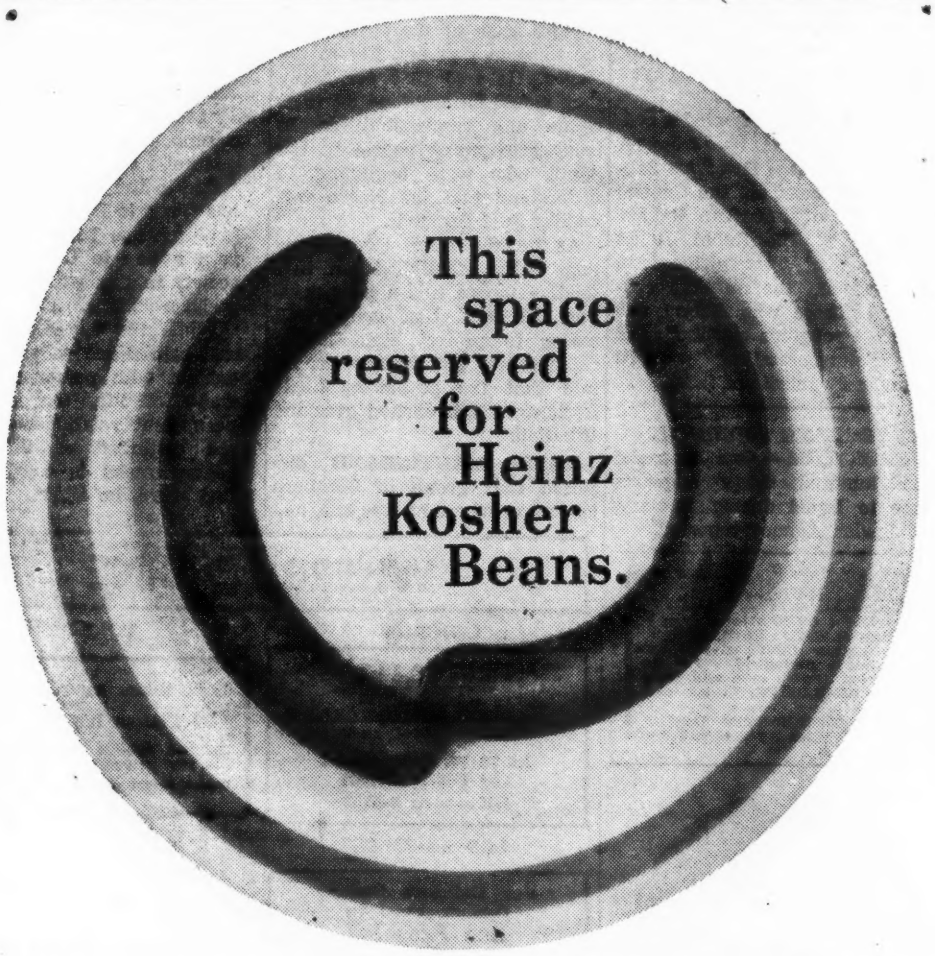

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PROFILE ON MIDDLETOWN

City's Jewry Moves From Orthodox to Liberal Practices

By TEX ROSENZWEIG

MIDDLETOWN, O. (NJP)—**THIS CITY'S** Conservative Temple Beth Shalom under the guidance of Rabbi Harry A. Roth is taking a more liberal bent after being an Orthodox congregation for more than 50 years.

Although the congregation does not have an organ now, it will have one soon, if Rabbi Roth's hopes are fulfilled.

A small Jewish community such as Middletown's could not survive without the acceptance of "progressive" practices and ideas, Rabbi Roth told The POST and OPINION. Rabbi Roth, whose congregation became Conservative in 1950, has been with Beth Shalom for two years.

ANOTHER PART of the liberal influence on the congregation can be credited to Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, just 36 miles away. The congregation gets its Sunday school faculty from the Reform seminary.

The city's only Jewish congregation dedicated its new $150,000 building just a year ago after meeting for more than 50 years in a converted house. The new building has aroused keen interest in congregational activities, Rabbi Roth declared. But home life, he said, is not affected.

He termed the status of Jewish observance "as indifferent as anywhere else."

But he noted a renewed interest in the education of the children as evidence of the community's participation in the nation's "religious boom." He also noted that this religious interest had carried over into a new adult study group which he had founded.

Attendance at services has risen since Rabbi Roth came, but faces the threat of competition from high school basketball games on Friday night. This competition is even worse than Friday night store openings on the part of both Jewish and non-Jewish merchants, Rabbi Roth told The POST and OPINION.

The city's Jewish population, 250, is but one-half per cent of the city's population of 57,691. Rabbi Roth told The POST and OPINION that the community had gained four families (6 per cent) in the two years he had been in Middletown.

RELATIONS between the community and non-Jews are good, but some country clubs don't "prefer" Jews, Rabbi Roth said. Fred Kramer of Middletown sits as judge in Hamilton, 13 miles away.

Six out of the community's 80 families keep kosher, getting their meat either from Cincinnati or Dayton. Eighteen children attend the community's two-day-a-week Hebrew school and 55 its Sunday school.

Almost all of the community's high school graduates go out of town to college. Fifteen have left in the last two years, Rabbi Roth said.

PROFILES ON US JEWRY

This is part of a continuing series of profiles of American Jewish communities, large and small.

These articles will seek to interpret Jewish life in these cities in terms of the major questions facing the American Jewish community. Among these questions are the development of greater spiritual emphasis in the lives of American Jews, the progress in fund-raising, the new physical characteristics of the community (new buildings, etc.) prevalence of social restrictions against Jews, the degree to which Jews participate in city-wide movements and organizations, growth or decline in intermarriage and its effects on Jewish community life, etc.

These profiles will be written on the spot by staff members of The National Jewish POST and OPINION.

Imports Outgo 3 Times Israel's Exports Intake

JERUSALEM (NJP)—**WARNING** that Israel must increase its exports or face unemployment, Levi Eshkol, finance minister, last week told the Knesset that state spending now is three times as high as the income from foreign trade.

Eshkol

Eshkol estimated 1958 revenue at about $644 million, on the assumption of a population increase of 40,000 to 50,000. He said, too, that imports for the present financial year, which ends in April, have amounted to $404 million so far, compared with exports of $134 million—a deficit of $270 million.

He reported also that security costs since 1948 have totaled $1,120 million and that absorption of immigrants was made possible by imports of $2,250 million.

Anne Frank's Diary Captures The Hearts of German Youth

By MARGO WOLFF

NEW YORK (NJP) — A German school girl's hospitality to a Jewish refugee boy from Egypt ironically fulfills a fairy tale composed by Anne Frank 15 years before in her diary.

HUNDREDS OF letters of admiration from all over Germany are received daily by Otto Frank, Anne Frank's surviving father, who now resides in Basle, Switzerland. More than two-thirds of these are from German teenagers.

More than half a million copies of "The Diary of Anne Frank" have been sold in Germany. In many schools the book is required reading.

A 15-year-old school girl "living on an isle and going to school there" reports how her "new friend Anne Frank" helped her to make life "nice and cheerful" again for a Jewish refugee boy from Egypt.

"UNFORTUNATELY most of our classmates were horrible to the strange boy at first," the girl said. But she was finally able to convince her classmates that the escapee from Nasser was a kind of brother to Anne Frank.

"I am now watching the Egyptian boy playing cheerfully with all our classmates in the snow," she continued. "I am sure that Anne would have liked it."

The German girl is eager to get in touch with a Jewish girl "of Anne's age when she wrote her diary" so that she can further "forget the difference of nationality" and learn more "about Anne, her family and her folks."

She plans to write her next quarterly composition on "The Importance of Anne Frank at Our Present Time."

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CAPITAL CROSSROADS

Israel's Technical 'Lift' to Afro-Asian Lands Is Rewarded by Friendship

By LILLIAN LEVY

WASHINGTON, D. C. (NJP) — Israel's remarkable program of technical aid and assistance to under-developed African and Asian countries is paying off in mutually beneficial trade agreements and, even more importantly, in close and firm bonds of friendship and respect that neither Arab threats or attempts at economic boycott have been able to break.

On Feb. 27, Israel's foreign minister, Golda Meir, is scheduled to begin a tour of several African countries in order to present the latest draft of Israel's aid program, offering the services of Israeli experts in health, public utilities, trade union activities and co-operative economic ventures both in agriculture and industry. Mrs. Meir will emphasize that Israel's experts will be recalled at any time that the government assisted no longer feels a need for their services.

Arabs Step Up Propaganda

IN FACE OF Israel's growing influence in both Asian and African countries, Arab anti-Israel propaganda is being stepped up, particularly in Cairo and Damascus in the hope of stopping Israel from making further inroads among these independent countries. Arab attempts are being made to enlist the support of influential Arab minorities, particularly in the West African coastal countries. However, to date, the governments of Ceylon, Malaya, Burma, Ghana, Nigeria, Liberia —all of whom have received technical aid and assistance from Israel — have resisted, and in some instances, protested and defied all Arab efforts to prevent recognition of and negotiation with Israel.

A notable evidence of this was the stand taken by the delegates from Ghana and Nigeria against the anti-Israel resolution proposed by the Arab bloc at the Afro-Asian Peoples "solidarity conference" in Cairo, which declared Israel to be "an imperialistic base threatening the security and progress of the Middle East."

Ghana and Nigeria already have received assistance which gave the lie to any charge that Israel is a threat to either their security or progress. Early success with the Black Star shipping venture in which Ghana and Israel are joined has encouraged plans for extending this with another ship which will trade with the United States.

AND CHARGES that Israel has imperialistic designs by fostering such a venture are ludicrous in face of the fact that, if Ghana desires, after five years, the Black Star will revert to exclusive ownership by Ghana. The government of Ghana has ignored all attempts by the Arab League political committee to discourage her friendly relations with Israel and made clear to the executive secretary of the league that Arab states have no right to interfere with Ghana's relations with any state and Ghana intends to maintain her good relations with Israel

Histadrut Influences Ghana Unions

EVIDENCE of Israel influence in Ghana particularly disturbing to the Arabs is that Ghana trade unions have abandoned the British structure of labor unions in favor of the Histadrut pattern and now desire Histadrut construction from Solel Boneh to work with Ghana construction efforts, possibly with the full co-operation of Ghana trade unions. Also, Ghana is anticipating the imminent arrival of 100 Israel water and electrical experts to improve services in these fields in this new African nation. Right now, one of Israel's outstanding communal farm experts is in Ghana working with Ghanese in the parched northern territories.

Road engineers are scheduled to arrive from Israel in addition to Israel geologists who will explore the great mineral potentials. Israel is giving scholarships to Hebrew University to Ghana students.

After a five-day tour of Israel, the Nigerian minister of development remarked: "Israel is in a position to make an important contribution to the development of Nigeria and implementation of her five-year plan." He suggested that an Israel labor delegation go to Nigeria to "establish close co-operation" in the field of industrial development.

In Liberia, Israel construction firms were able to succeed, where two important German firms failed, in completing a large government contract.

U Nu Stood Up To Arab Threats

ISRAEL'S diplomatic relations with Burma were established against violent Arab interference. At one time when U Nu, premier of Burma, announced his intention of a visit to the Middle East, he was told by Egypt that if he went to Israel, he would not be welcome in Egypt. Premier U Nu chose to go only to Israel.

Similar attempts more recently by Egypt to prevent Ceylon from establishing diplomatic ties with Israel also failed. And the premier of Malaya responded to Moslem pressures intended to prevent Malayan diplomatic recognition of Israel by saying: "That is too much to ask of this government. Israel was one of the countries that voted for our admission to the United Nations, and it would be extreme ingratitude not to recognize them."

FRANCIS OFNER of the London Observer News Service termed Israel's program of technical assistance "a midget point-four program." It might better be termed "a miracle point-four program" since it is a living and working reality despite the fact that Israel's first decade has been marked by the constant military threat of being surrounded with openly hostile neighbors, harmful economic boycott, an over-taxed economy further strained by a vast influx of immigration . . . obstacles which in a less stubborn people might have resulted in an end to sovereignty or, at least, have prevented any notable progress. However, in spite of these obstacles, Israel and her people continue to grow, progress, and develop and can aid others less progressive and developed and thus answer affirmatively before all the world the ancient question: "Am I my brother's keeper?"

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ALBANY, N. Y. (NJP)—The Albany Jewish community this week will commemorate the 300th anniversary of the arrival of the first Jew to this city.

It was 1658 that Asher Levy took up residence in Fort Aronge, now Albany.

Albany Mayor Erastus Corning has declared the week as "Albany Jewish Community Tercentenary Week." The mayor paid tribute to the "significant role" played by the members of the Jewish community in the growth of the nation and the community.

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NY Repeal Of 'Blue Law' Seen Hopeful

By ALAN KOHN

NEW YORK (NJP)—Prospects for passage of a law allowing Jewish businessmen to remain open on Sunday in New York City appeared hopeful this week, following announcement that Republican state legislative leaders would give "sympathetic" reception to such a proposal.

THE ISSUE is now squarely in the hands of New York Mayor Robert Wagner and the city council, which would have to approve a home rule message requesting the legislature to act. Interested parties have united behind a bill prepared by a Bronx Jewish assemblyman.

For the first time Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Jewish leaders are behind the bill. In the past 30 years, the bill has gathered dust in state legislative committees due to Republican opposition and the fact that Jewish groups could not unite on a single bill.

The proposed measure would amend New York's charter to permit the city council to adopt a local law to authorize the conduct of business on Sunday by those who observe some day other than Sunday as the day of rest.

Republican leaders of the State Senate and Assembly and the State's Jewish attorney-general, Louis Lefkowitz, met with supporters of the bill for 45 minutes this week in Albany. They told those at the meeting that the bill would be reported out of committee if Mayor Wagner requests it.

BUT RABBI Israel Klavan of the Rabbinical Council of America, Rabbi Philip Hiat of the New York board of rabbis and Benjamin Mintz of the American Jewish Congress were also told that the leaders would not exercise party discipline in the bill's favor, thus putting the fate of the bill's passage in doubt.

A delegation of Jewish leaders met with Wagner last summer, when the mayor was reported to have made a definite commitment toward ending harassment of Jewish merchants who stay open on Sunday in violation of the state's "blue laws."

The leaders were also told by Wagner and also by the majority leaders of the city council that both would ask the council for a home rule message requesting the legislature to act. The State council of churches has also indorsed the measure in principle.

God 'Prisoner' of Israel's Religious Parties, Leftists Say

TEL AVIV (NJP)—**GOD IS A** prisoner of Israeli religious parties, charged a well-known Israeli writer, Izhak Ziv-Av, at a public discussion here.

He declared that the politicization of religion is preventing many Israelis "from finding their way back to true Judaism."

MRS. RUTH HEKTIN, Ahdut Avoda member of the Knesset, proclaimed that "it is impossible to understand why the overwhelming majority of Israelis, who are non-religious, are compelled to carry out the desire of the religious groups whose leaders dream of bringing us back to ancient times."

"THE RELIGIOUS groups have nothing to do in Israel where the danger of assimilation does not exist. They should be active in the diaspora only," declared another leader, Dr. Nir.

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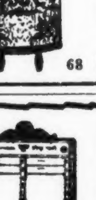
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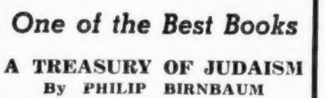
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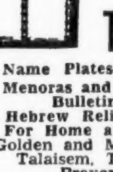
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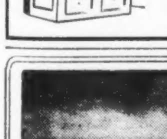
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CONVERTING NON-JEWS

ALL OF A SUDDEN the idea of proselytizing non-Jews seems to have gained new advocates in the Jewish community.

Rabbi Ira Eisenstein declared recently (NJP, Jan. 10) that winning a few important figures in the non-Jewish world to Judaism would serve as a stimulant to Jews everywhere.

Now Rabbi Robert Gordis suggests an attempt to convert the Japanese to Judaism. The POST and OPINION reported several years ago of the eagerness of a number of Japanese to learn more about Judaism.

The Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform) at its annual convention a few years ago heard an exhaustive report on the possibility of converting non-Jews by Rabbi David Eichhorn.

RABBI EICHHORN has been an aggressive promoter of the idea that non-Jews can be won over to Judaism, and of the good effects of such successful efforts on the morale of American and world Jewry.

In fact, there are good arguments on both sides of the question of whether Jews, who have not proselytized for 1,500 years, should now begin to actively seek converts.

Those who have poo-poched the idea take the position that Judaism as it is practiced in America today needs all the attention it can get from those who want to assure its survival, and that undertaking a project like converting non-Jews while the Jewish house was not in perfect order was incredible.

This argument is not as sound as it seems. If the Christians had waited until all their adherents were perfect Christians, they would not have expanded into every nook and cranny of the globe.

Yet embarking on a bold missionizing campaign would create problems, and might at this point not be the most intelligent activity of the Jewish community.

AMERICAN JUDAISM is today a religion of the wealthy. If it were not for the numerous Orthodox congregations where a person can afford membership even on a weekly salary of less than $100, we would be cutting off from our rolls probably half the affiliated Jews of the United States.

Reform Judaism has long been the religion of the wealthy.

Conservative Judaism is now at exactly the same place. And neither have made any provision for the young Jewish worker. Even if dues were reduced, this would still be overlooking the basic problem, which is participation in the congregation's affairs, which usually calls for costly outlays of money.

WHAT IS MORE, if a Jew of modest means has all the knowledge and interest in things Jewish that fit him for leadership in the Jewish community, such positions will be denied him. We'd like to see the average income of the congregation board member, or for that matter, of the board member of our federations and welfare funds. It certainly could be more than $25,000 and probably much more.

Aside from this problem, a missionizing venture would bring up the question of whether the converts would become Reform, Conservative or Orthodox Jews. If the conversion did not fulfill the commitments required by Orthodoxy, then the newcomers would not be permitted to marry Orthodox Jews or be buried in Orthodox cemeteries, etc.

The questions raised here and many others need to be clarified before a decision can be reached.

THE REFORM MOVEMENT, when it scheduled the subject for discussion at its annual convention several years ago, went about the matter in the right way.

What is required now is continued discussion and exploration.

Rabbi Gordis' suggestion for convening a nation conference of religious leaders to study the question is certainly warranted. By this kind of discussion, the various pro and con arguments can be weighed intelligently.

Chances are that more time will be needed before a decision can be reached. It may be that this is not the generation to embark on such a program.

But in any event, it may not be too soon to be giving attention to the matter.

REVOLUTION IN JEWISH LIFE

IF THE HEADLINE in The POST and OPINION (NJP, Feb. 7) is at all accurate, it indicates a revolution in Jewish life.

The headline reads: "World Jewish Congress May Dissolve in 2 Years."

This would be the first time in modern Jewish history where an organization has dissolved willingly.

We could give you numerous instances where organizations have dragged on their existence long past the time when there was any work for them to do, draining as they did the coffers of the Jewish group of thousands of dollars.

But there is no instance where a Jewish organization has dissolved, even though its work was completed.

The EDITOR'S CHAIR . . .

LIKE EVERYONE else who seeks room in The POST and OPINION, we sometimes are cut off short too by the exigencies of space.

So, several weeks ago in our piece here on the national conference of Israel Bonds in Washington, D. C., we had listed the "Women of Valor" in whose honor, in fact, the conference had been called. But when it came time to put the paper together, we found that we had been too long-winded. So off were lopped the following paragraphs, which we asked to have saved so that they could be printed at this time:

Max Cohen and Mrs. Cohen were there from Chicago, and we reminded Max of the evening we had dinner at his home some few years back for the opening of the big gifts drive of the Combined Jewish Appeal. Ben Harris had taken me there to hear Edward M. M. Warburg that year. Max confided that he was in the planning stage for the 13th annual such dinner, for which incidentally he foots the bill, plus giving as liberally as any living Jew anywhere. We'd tell you that he heads the Mogen David Wine Company, except for the fact that he isn't a NJP&O advertiser.

WE SHOULD BE less than chivalrous if we didn't name these honored few, so we'll close with listing them, after we've made just this last point or two:

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WE SAW the Inbal dancers, the perfectly marvelous Yemenite troupe from Israel in New York several weeks ago, and you can see the stage of our cultural development when we tell you that we couldn't appreciate them.

For years we never thought we'd ever come to love good music, nor antiques, nor exquisite objects of art, but slowly we've passed the point where we thrive on concerts and we even get a thrill from watching ballet.

Be we need a bit more development before we can tell you honestly that the Inbal dancers caused any excitement in us. We'd say the same thing about the audience around us, packing as it did the large New York threatre, despite the fact that the applause was loud and long.

SOME PEOPLE must be born with appreciation for the arts, but we're not one of them. It comes to us the hard way.

MISHPATIM: The Style of the Hebraic Civilization

By RABBI JACOB J. WEINSTEIN
KAM Temple, Chicago

A civilization has a style as well as a content. The content may better be considered as its culture. The culture consists of the folkways, the values, the institutions which have sprung up in the community's response to the challenge of its environment.

Rabbi Weinstein

Because there are essential and basic factors in the interplay of a group and its environment, cultural anthropologists like Malinowski and Mead and wholesale historiographers like Spengler and Toynbee have been interested in describing the recurrent and common elements in every world culture.

THEY HAVE BEEN long on universals and short on particulars. They have, wittingly or not, left the impression that differences are secondary and accidental, uniqueness generally a chauvinistic conceit. While personality in the individual is recognized and admired, personality in the group is derogated as the pretension of the local chronicler, the bias of nationalist historians.

For all that, the reading of Sedra Mishpatim reveals a definite style in the civilization of Judaism. There was something which the Jewish mind did to its environment that was unique. And that uniqueness was something more than a flair for individualistic packaging, more than colorful wrapping and ribbons on the same old sociological data. It was a question of temperament of mood, of tempo in so profound a sense as to constitute a basic difference in character, in moral stance, in ethical judgment.

ALL ANCIENT peoples tolerated slavery or indentured service. The Hebrews limited that service to six years and inaugurated the colorful ceremony of the boring of the ear with an awl for that servant who refused his freedom.

Ancient peoples generally degraded the position of women, most especially concubines and conquered foreign women. The Hebrews insisted that every woman taken in marriage must be guaranteed her food, her raiment and her conjugal rights.

Early peoples believed profoundly in the lex talionis, the eye for an eye. It was the grim bookkeeping of the ancient blood bank which could be violated only at dire punishment from the avenging spirits. The Jews early introduced monetary compensation for personal injuries inflicted under a wide range of commiserating circumstances.

PRIMITIVE PEOPLES developed various patterns of work and rest, generally feverish work followed by artificially induced debaucheries. The Jews introduced the Sabbath as a day of rest for man and beast and earth and sanctioned it as an imitation of Divinity.

Early peoples were judged by sacred demi-god judges, guided either by rigid tabus or ad hoc rule of thumb standards. The Jews early insisted on meticulous standards for their judges and on laws protected from the vulgar passions of the mob. Consider these few lines from our text:

> **"Thou shalt not follow the multitude to do evil . . . Neither shalt thou favor a poor man in his cause . . . And thou shalt take no gift for a gift blindeth them that have sight."**

TWENTY-SEVEN HUNDRED years ago, the peoples of the Near East considered the stranger fair game. They did not apologize for their dislike of the unlike. The Jew set firmly in his code book and repeated it 36 times in the Pentateuch the law. "And a stranger shalt thou not oppress; for ye know the heart of the stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt."

In the face of this evidence, one who makes specious generalizations about ancient Judaism as being a typical patriarchal culture, or a petrified offshoot of a Syriac Civilization, is an unrighteous witness who follows a multitude to do evil.

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RABBI CRITICIZED FOR RAP AT CATHOLICS

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

I CANNOT refrain from commenting upon Rabbi Louis M. Levitsky's statement in his Temple bulletin, excerpts of which appeared on the front page of the January 24 edition of your publication. I refer specifically to his criticism of the Catholic clergy.

It is unfortunate that Rabbi Levitsky's experience "with one Catholic leader" impels him to state categorically that ". . . a Catholic priest will not meet with anyone who he will be compelled by his presence to recognize as a teacher of religion."

I beg to differ with my worthy colleague. Throughout the many years I have devoted to the active rabbinate it has been my good fortune to be closely associated with Catholic clergymen in all communal activities, not the least of which have been religious. These relations have been open, dignified and self-respecting.

DURING MY ministry in Alexandria, Louisiana, I broke bread with the bishop of the Catholic diocese on a number of occasions in his home as well as in my apartment. This Catholic leader made it his busness to attend all the sessions of the annual institutes on Judaism for ministers, priests and rabbis, and to bring a number of associates with him. One day he left an important diocesan meeting in a community 120 miles away so that he would be in the temple on time to pronounce the invocation at the opening session.

The Catholic priest in Martinsville has played a leading role in the organization and continuing operation of the local chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews. Due to his efforts the first human relations Seminar for Jewish, Catholic and Protestant high school students in our communiy was conducted this past November under the auspices of the NCCJ. As one of the three clergy co-chairmen of the local chapter, he is presently co-operating with a Protestant minister and myself in planning a rather unique Brotherhood Week observance which will involve the men of our respective congregations.

This Catholic leader has addressed our Ministerial Association and has spoken to the membership of Ohev Zion Synagogue. Last April he was one of 30 "teachers of religion" who spent an entire day studying Torah at our institute on Judaism for the Clergy, and that same evening he pronounced the invocation from the pulpit in the sanctuary at the meeting open to the public.

SHORTLY thereafter I received an invitation from him to address the men of the Holy Name society of his church at their regular monthly Communion breakfast following a Sunday service. At his request I spoke on "Judaism—Its Ideals and Practices." Before we sat down to eat he told the assembled laymen that I would offer the invocation in Hebrew as well as in English, and concluded his remarks with these words: "Hebrew may be strange to you, but I am sure it is not strange in heaven."

I fully appreciate Rabbi Levitsky's sense of pique and frustration. However, when he attacks Catholic priests as a group because his relations with some of them have been anything but gratifying and successful, he does violence to the spirit of Americanism and Judaism.

RABBI
MORDECAI M. THURMAN
Martinsville, Va.

BONDS BID TO TALMADGE HIT

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

I WAS shocked and dismayed to read in your Dec. 27 issue that the Atlanta committee for the State of Israel Bonds had invited Sen. Herman Talmadge to speak at their dinner.

How can the sentiment of such an outstanding racist be considered valid? I'm thoroughly ashamed of my Jewish brethren in Atlanta for using as an expedient the support of a man whose record stands as a negation of the most cherished Jewish beliefs. Israel stands as a living refutation to Talmadge and his breed of un-American race baiters. I would like to think that in our quest to aid Israel we utilized means which were not only effectual but maintained our integrity as well.

Pfc. ROBERT A. ROTHSTEIN
Germany.

Sale of Shul To Church Held 'Low'

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

IT WAS A great shock to me to read in your paper of Jan. 10, about Red Bank, N. J., where a Conservative group by-passed an Orthodox group by selling their old synagogue for a church. To me, this constitutes a new low in the moral of our people. Up to now, I only knew of such sales being made due to the lack of a minyan to carry on services.

Surely a congregation that can afford to build a $400,000 synagogue should not have to worry about paltry sums such as $1,000 for furniture, or even $30,000 for the whole synagogue, for which they could have held a mortgage for security. I am sure that no matter to what group the founders of the old synagogue belonged, they would never sanction the way of disposal of their original contribution toward the old building.

Do the builders of the new synagogue really think that the Almighty will appreciate the beauty of their new building which was acquired by by-passing of "only" 36 Jews, in favor of a church? Let them read what the Prophet Isaiah had to say about it in Chapter I.

SAUL SIGLER,
Toronto, Canada

60 STUDENTS ARRIVE

JERUSALEM — Sixty young persons from Italy, South Africa and North and South America arrived last month at the Haim Greenberg Teachers seminary in Jerusalem, for a year's study.

Orthodoxy Flexible, Meet Problems

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

WHEN RABBI Aaron H. Blumenthal speaks of Orthodoxy and its deficiencies, past and present, he leaves the impression that Orthodoxy has one point of view, that there are no shades of opinion within it, and that its opinion on every Jewish law and practice is exactly alike. Actually, religious views within Orthodoxy range from the very courageous liberal attitudes of the "maskilim" (of whom Rabbi Blumenthal would obviously approve) all the way to the most conservative religious attitude which admits for no leniencies of any sort (the mahmirim), of whom the Neturai Karta of Jerusalem are probably the most extreme example.

It appears that the more traditional of the Conservative rabbinate (those who still will NOT act outside the framework of the halaha) are unwilling to recognize that even with Orthodoxy is there room for the "creative interpretation of the halaha" as has been the case from time immemorial. Must organizational or institutional loyalties be a blinding and divisive force?

LET US instead paint the following picture of today's religious conflicts. If Orthodoxy today is battling the excesses (outside the framework of halaha) introduced by Conservative and Reform leadership, it is just as busy battling the rigidity and inflexibility maintained by those within Orthodox ranks. If Orthodoxy is harassed by the Conservative and Reform left, it is also harassed by the Orthodox right.

It is therefore quite unfair for Conservatism to present Orthodoxy to the public as that philosophy which "fought against Western dress," "against the shaving of one's beard," and "is fighting . . . against the equality of the rights of women." On the former items, Orthodox Jewry long ago discovered the flexibility of Jewish law in some matters without the necessity of actual violaion or abrogation of it.

On the issue of mixed seating, Conservative spokesmen must know very well that equal rights for women is not the issue at all (though it is, I admit, a good propaganda point) but rather a halahic question of morality in a place of "kedusha," of "kavana" in prayer, and of sanctified usage. This is quite unanimous among Orthodox rabbis despite the differences of opinion as to the severity of the law or the practice itself.

SHOULD THE Jewish Theological Seminary itself be condemned for practicing inequality between the sexes in its own synagogue chapel, or shall it be commended for at least maintaining the true tradition and the correct procedure to cite Orthodoxy for "creating the illusion that Jewish law has never changed." None but the most naive of Orthodox defenders would maintain such a position. Every Yeshiva bohur knows better. But he also knows the due process of law by which changes can be effected and by which legislation can be promulgated, a process that unfortunately is not being met by the non-Orthodox rabbinic decisions.

OUTRIGHT abrogation and nullification was never employed in classical Judaism. It would have been and still is unthinkable to the faithful believer in Torah Misinai, that man should brazenly discard the word of G-d.

Conservatism may have the courage Rabbi Blumenthal credits it with, but Orthodoxy feels very sincerely that Conservatism lacks the Torah scholarship, Talmudic brilliance, and personal piety required to enact major Jewish legislation, even of less drastic variety. I do not mean to infer thereby that every "musmah" or Orthodox rabbi ipso facto possesses these qualifications. But Orthodoxy at least does not hesitate to defer to those scholars and sages—here and abroad—who by universal consent in the world of Torah comprise the unofficial "supreme court" in Judaism today. Would Conservative spokesmen challenge these "great" for their rightful place as the authoritative "judge in those days," and usurp such title for themselves?

What is needed is a little more courage on the part of these sages of our generation (and on this point I agree), that too will come to pass. The situation cannot possibly be remedied by Conservatism jumping the gun. It can only increase the tension and delay solution to the very many pressing problems. Impatience may be an understandable reaction not only by Conservative leaders—but concern for Judaism demands patience with its halahic process and the human failings of those in whose hands it is entrusted, just as concern for democracy demand patience with its relative slowness and elaborateness of legislative procedures before some progress can be made.

Orthodoxy has begun and will continue to meet today's problems—perhaps not as rapidly as some would like, but head on, and without yielding on what Judaism considers sacred, holy and divine.

RABBI HAYIM DONIN
Detroit, Mich.

ITURBI LEAVES ISRAEL

JERUSALEM—Jose Iturbi left Israel this week, after a six-week visit during which he conducted a series of Israel Philharmonic orchestra concerts.

Israel Needs Free Press, Less Parties

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

STRIFE IN Israel is mostly due to the fact that there are too many political parties in that state. General Zionists are a party which is composed of both liberals and conservatives. Now if these Liberals would join the Progressives and the Conservaatives, the Herut, there would be one less party in Israel, and strife would decrease.

As for "Haboker," present organ of the General Zionists, this should still be published but as an independent conservative newspaper. And as an independent newspaper free of party ties, it will undoubtedly exercise greater inuence over the minds of Israelis than it is doing at present. It will also be following the example of "Haaretz" and of the American daily newspapers Israel needs more independent newspapers free of party ties.

SAMUEL DYEN
New York City

1ST JEW TO BE GERMAN 'PROF'

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

Did you know that Robert Remak, distinguished German physiologist and neurologist, 1815-1865, was the first Jew to receive an academic appointment at a German university?

DR. J. E. SCHMIDT
Charlestown, Ind.

CONCORD NOTED IN NEW ORLEANS

• Editor, Jewish POST and OPINION:

SOME TIME ago I had occasion to write you about a discussion concerning Rabbi Julian Feibelman and Mr. Label Katz, of New Orleans.

Your readers may be interested in learning that after that correspondence I visited New Orleans and made an interesting discovery.

I discovered that the differences in viewpoint between Dr. Feibelman and Mr. Katz are transcended by the numerous matters which they have in common.

Both Dr. Feibelman and Mr Katz are staunch adherents of Reform Judaism. Both of them are civic leaders. Both of them are nationally prominent for their eloquence and their devotion to the strengthening of Reform Judaism.

And both of them are hard workers for the success of the welfare campaign.

We hear so much about the discord in Jewish life that I am pleased to report this remarkable instance of concord and accord between two eminent men who might otherwise seem to be at odds with one another about the major directions of Jewish life.

RABBI SAMUEL M. SILVER
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Rabbis Clash Over Whether Reform Needs Ritual Guide

By REVY BALKIN

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (NJP)—Two prominent Reform rabbis clashed here this week over whether Judaism needs to formulate its beliefs and practices.

Polish

RABBI DAVID POLISH of Beth Emet the Free Synagogue in Evanston, Ill., challenged the argument of Rabbi Joseph Narot of Temple Israel in Miami, Fla., that a ritual guide will make Reform Judaism authoritarian. Rabbi Polish declared that "Reform Judaism must pronounce its beliefs." The "stubbornness of the Jewish people will always serve as a safety valve" against blind conformity to a rigid code, he said.

Rabbi Narot argued that any written code at this time is unnecessary. He pointed out that the prophet Jeremiah declared that we Jews hae a covenant written in our hearts, not on paper.

"IT IS NOT the rituals that are important, but the ideals that stand behind the rituals, and these cannot be codified."

Rabbi Polish's counter was that "our people need a guide because many of them are searching and eager to do the right thing in their relationship to God."

Young people, he declared, are "looking for the answers. A minimal guide, not a code, would supply the answers on what is expected of a Jew in relation to his covenant with God concerning the Sabbath, marriage, death, birth and everyday Jewish living."

RABBI NAROT answered that a guide to define ritual obligations that Reform Jews already acknowledge would be of little use. "Our people know," he said, "that they should attend Friday night services. Do you think that writing down that they should attend services would make any difference? The answer is 'No.' These are things that you must feel in your heart."

US Army Bias Against Jews --Israel Rabbi

COL. GOREN
. . . Hits Army Bias

By AMOS BEN VERED

JERUSALEM (NJP)—Charges of "de facto" discrimination against the Jewish religion in the United States Army were voiced by the senior chaplain to the Israeli defense forces, Col. Shlomo Goren, in oral reports to several religious groups, it is learned from a reliable source.

COL. GOREN recently returned to Israel from a tour of the U. S. and Canada lasting three months. In the course of it he visited the Pentagon and several army installations, including West Point.

At West Point, he said, the Protestant and Catholic churches are close to the office buildings. There is no synagogue. But on the High Holy days, services are held in a "place of worship" in the cemetery grounds that is not in use. Whenever the Jews feel like it, he added, they may walk to the cemetery and hold services there.

There are few army camps where the rules of a common house of worship is observed. According to this rule, the House should stand empty during the week. Whenever services are to be held by one of the faiths, the minister should carry the necessary objects with him—the cross in the case of Christians and the Aron Hakodesh in the case of Jews.

However, said Rabbi Goren, in most camps the house of worship is occupied throughout the week either by Protestants or by Catholics. The cross and other paraphernalia are kept inside it. If Jews want to worship, they have to use a room in the living quarters or office space. Otherwise, they go to the nearest synagogue outside the camp.

Rabbi Goren also remarked on the fact that there is no senior Jewish chaplain at the Pentagon, although a Protestant and a Catholic chaplain have their offices there.

New Shulhan Aruh Needed, Conservative Rabbi Declares

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. (NJP)—**A CALL FOR A** new Conservative Shulhan Aruh was made here this week by Rabbi Henry Fisher of Congregation Bnai Zion in Chicago, speaking at the adult institute of Temple Beth-El (Reconstructionist).

Rabbi Fisher called for an "honest" appraisal of rabbinic law.

"LET'S ADMIT the old laws are peing violated," he told the group. Conservative Jews, he said, must have the right to say "This is no longer acceptable to me."

But the trouble in Jewish life is not only in not admitting laws are being broken, he added. Takanot—innovations in Jewish law—need to be created to meet the needs of Jews living in a modern age, he declared.

"A NEW 'Shulhan Aruh' will not freeze Jewish law," he said.

Rabbi Fisher told the institute that he doesn't use the new Conservative ketuba (marriage document) because it perpetuates the same sociological conditions as did the old. He noted that under both the new and old ketuba the women in Jewish life is but the property of the man and the man marries the woman—not vice versa.

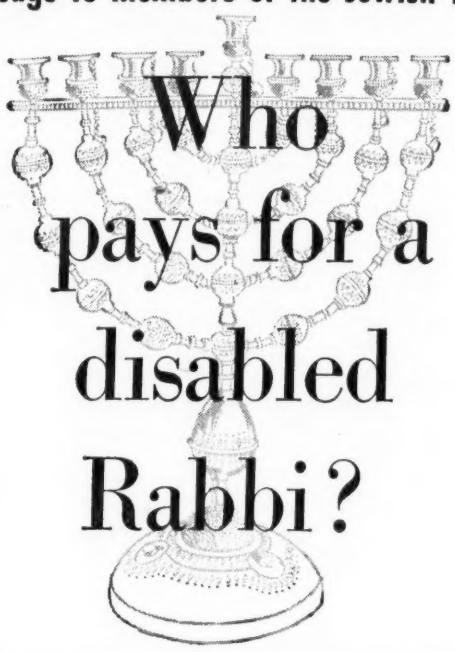
Why should rabbinical interpretation have closed in the year 499? he asked his audience. He noted that the Talmud itself accepted changes in the law though under the guise of legal fictions.

HE ACCORDINGLY termed Orthodox Judaism non-traditional in that it does not accept change today even under the guise of legal fictions.

No people can live except under law, he said. No matter one feels about the law, he added, one has to live under it.

But law without interpretation is nothing, he declared.

A message to members of the Jewish Faith . . .



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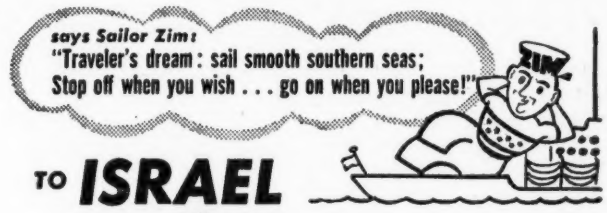

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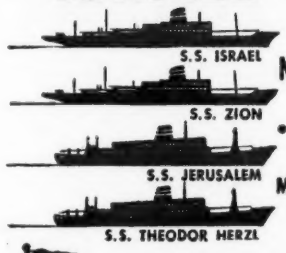

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